

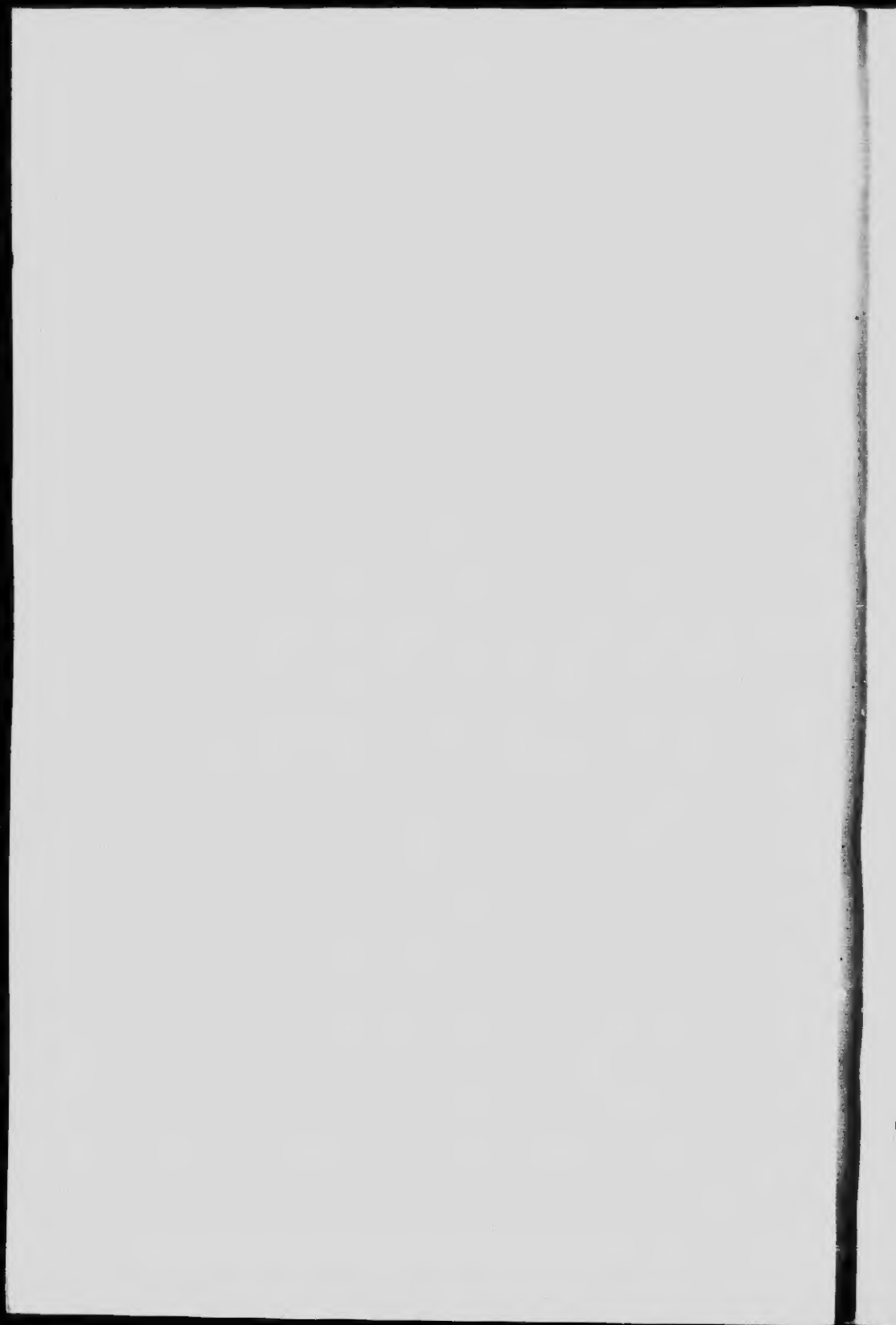
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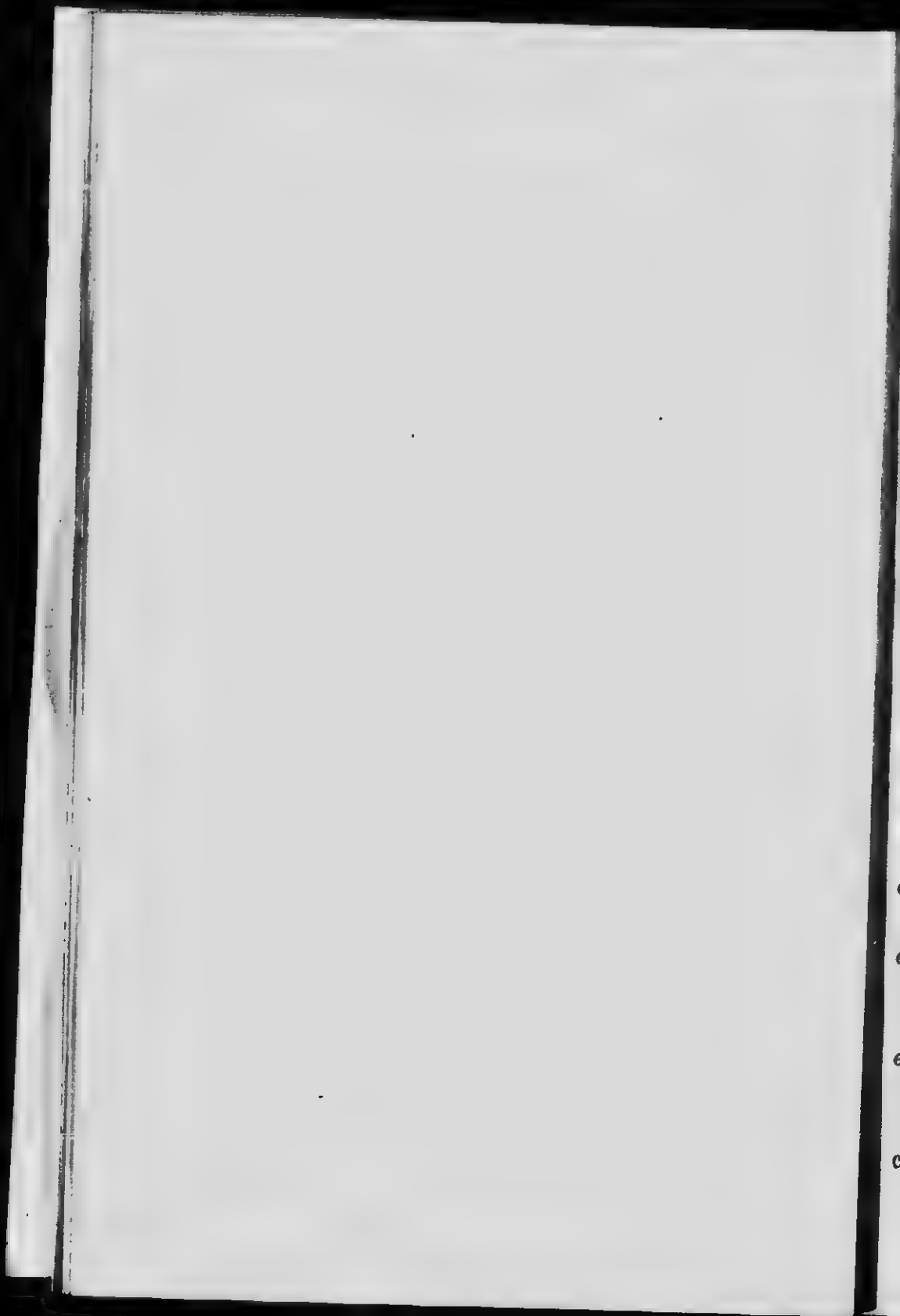
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# GEOMETRY

## PART I

### AXIOMS

ALL mathematical reasoning is founded on certain simple principles, the truth of which is so evident that they are accepted without proof. These self-evident truths are called **Axioms**.

For instance :

*Things which are equal to the same thing are equal to one another.*

The following axioms, corresponding to the first four Rules of Arithmetic, are among those most commonly used in geometrical reasoning.

**Addition.** *If equals are added to equals, the sums are equal.*

**Subtraction.** *If equals are taken from equals, the remainders are equal.*

**Multiplication.** *Things which are the same multiples of equals are equal to one another.*

For instance: *Doubles of equals are equal to one another.*

**Division.** *Things which are the same parts of equals are equal to one another.*

For instance: *Halves of equals are equal to one another.*

The above Axioms are given as instances, and not as a complete list, of those which will be used. They are said to

be *general*, because they apply equally to magnitudes of all kinds. Certain special axioms relating to geometrical magnitudes only will be stated from time to time as they are required.

### DEFINITIONS AND FIRST PRINCIPLES

Every beginner knows in a general way what is meant by a point, a line, and a surface. But in geometry these terms are used in a strict sense which needs some explanation.

1. A point has position, but is said to have *no magnitude*.

This means that we are to attach to a point no idea of size either as to *length* or *breadth*, but to think only where it is situated. A dot made with a sharp pencil may be taken as roughly representing a point; but small as such a dot may be, it still has *some* length and breadth, and is therefore not actually a geometrical point. The smaller the dot however, the more nearly it represents a point.

2. A line has length, but is said to have *no breadth*.

A line is traced out by a moving point. If the point of a pencil is moved over a sheet of paper, the trace left represents a line. But such a trace, however finely drawn, has some degree of breadth, and is therefore not itself a true geometrical line. The finer the trace left by the moving pencil-point, the more nearly will it represent a line.

3. Proceeding in a similar manner from the idea of a line to the idea of a surface, we say that

A surface has length and breadth, but *no thickness*.  
And finally,

A solid has length, breadth, and thickness.

Solids, surfaces, lines, and points are thus related to one another:

- (i) A solid is bounded by surfaces.
- (ii) A surface is bounded by lines; and surfaces meet in lines.
- (iii) A line is bounded (or terminated) by points; and lines meet in points.

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4. A line may be straight or curved.

A **straight line** has the same direction from point to point throughout its whole length.

A **curved line** changes its direction continually from point to point.

**AXIOM.** *There can be only one straight line joining two given points; that is,*

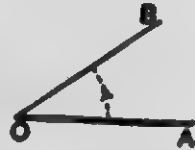
*Two straight lines cannot enclose a space.*

5. A **plane** is a flat surface, the test of flatness being that if any two points are taken in the surface, the straight line between them lies wholly in that surface.

6. When two straight lines meet at a point, they are said to form an **angle**.

The straight lines are called the **arms** of the angle; the point at which they meet is its **vertex**.

The magnitude of the angle may be thus explained:

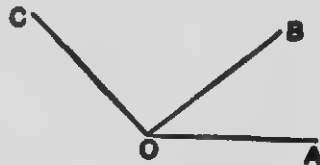


Suppose that the arm  $OA$  is fixed, and that  $OB$  turns about the point  $O$  (as shewn by the arrow). Suppose also that  $OB$  began its turning from the position  $OA$ . Then the size of the angle  $AOB$  is measured by the *amount of turning* required to bring the revolving arm from its first position  $OA$  into its subsequent position  $OB$ .

Observe that the size of an angle does not in any way depend on the length of its arms.

Angles which lie on either side of a common arm are said to be **adjacent**.

For example, the angles  $AOB$ ,  $BOC$ , which have the common arm  $OB$ , are adjacent.



When two straight lines such as  $AB$ ,  $CD$  cross one another at  $O$ , the angles  $COA$ ,  $BOD$  are said to be **vertically opposite**. The angles  $AOD$ ,  $COB$  are also vertically opposite to one another.



7. When one straight line stands on another so as to make the adjacent angles equal to one another, each of the angles is called a **right angle**; and each line is said to be **perpendicular** to the other.



**AXIOMS.** (i) If  $O$  is a point in a straight line  $AB$ , then a line  $OC$ , which turns about  $O$  from the position  $OA$  to the position  $OB$ , must pass through one position, and only one, in which it is perpendicular to  $AB$ .

(ii) All right angles are equal.

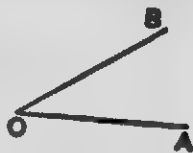
A right angle is divided into 90 equal parts called **degrees** ( $^{\circ}$ ); each degree into 60 equal parts called **minutes** ( $'$ ); each minute into 60 equal parts called **seconds** ( $''$ ).

In the above figure, if  $OC$  revolves about  $O$  from the position  $OA$  into the position  $OB$ , it turns through **two right angles**, or  $180^{\circ}$ .

If  $OC$  makes a **complete revolution** about  $O$ , starting from  $OA$  and returning to its original position, it turns through **four right angles**, or  $360^{\circ}$ .

8. An angle which is less than one right angle is said to be **acute**.

That is, an acute angle is less than  $90^{\circ}$ .



9. An angle which is greater than one right angle, but less than two right angles, is said to be **obtuse**.

That is, an obtuse angle lies between  $90^{\circ}$  and  $180^{\circ}$ .



## DEFINITIONS

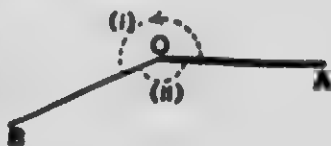
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10. If one arm  $OB$  of an angle turns until it makes a straight line with the other arm  $OA$ , the angle so formed is called a straight angle.



A straight angle = 2 right angles =  $180^\circ$ .

11. An angle which is greater than two right angles, but less than four right angles, is said to be reflex.

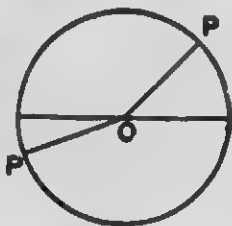


That is, a reflex angle lies between  $180^\circ$  and  $360^\circ$ .

NOTE. When two straight lines meet, two angles are formed, one greater, and one less than two right angles. The first arises by supposing  $OB$  to have revolved from the position  $OA$  the longer way round, marked (i); the other by supposing  $OB$  to have revolved the shorter way round, marked (ii). Unless the contrary is stated, the angle between two straight lines will be considered to be that which is less than two right angles.

12. Any portion of a plane surface bounded by one or more lines is called a plane figure.

13. A circle is a plane figure contained by a line traced out by a point which moves so that its distance from a certain fixed point is always the same.



Here the point  $P$  moves so that its distance from the fixed point  $O$  is always the same.

The fixed point is called the centre, and the bounding line is called the circumference.

14. A radius of a circle is a straight line drawn from the centre to the circumference. It follows that all radii of a circle are equal.

15. A diameter of a circle is a straight line drawn through the centre, and terminated both ways by the circumference.

16. An arc of a circle is any part of the circumference.

17. A **semi-circle** is the figure bounded by a diameter of a circle and the part of the circumference cut off by the diameter.



18. To **bisect** means to divide into two equal parts.

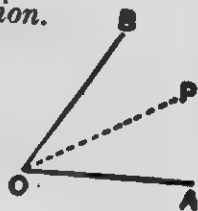
AXIOMS. (i) If a point  $O$  moves from  $A$  to  $B$  along the straight line  $AB$ , it must pass through one position in which it divides  $AB$  into two equal parts.



That is to say :

*Every finite straight line has a point of bisection.*

(ii) If a line  $OP$ , revolving about  $O$ , turns from  $OA$  to  $OB$ , it must pass through one position in which it divides the angle  $AOB$  into two equal parts.



That is to say :

*Every angle may be supposed to have a line of bisection.*

### HYPOTHETICAL CONSTRUCTIONS

From the Axioms attached to Definitions 7 and 18, it follows that we may suppose

- (i) A straight line to be drawn perpendicular to a given straight line from any point in it.
- (ii) A finite straight line to be bisected at a point.
- (iii) An angle to be bisected by a line.

### SUPERPOSITION AND EQUALITY

AXIOM. *Magnitudes which can be made to coincide with one another are equal.*

This axiom implies that any line, angle, or figure may be taken up from its position, and without change in size or form, laid down

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upon a second line, angle, or figure, for the purpose of comparison, and it states that two such magnitudes are equal when one can be exactly placed over the other without overlapping.

This process is called **superposition**, and the first magnitude is said to be **applied** to the other.

## POSTULATES

In order to draw geometrical figures certain instruments are required. These are, for the purposes of this book, (i) a *straight ruler*, (ii) a *pair of compasses*. The following Postulates (or requests) claim the use of these instruments, and assume that with their help the processes mentioned below may be duly performed.

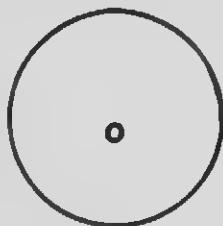
Let it be granted :

1. That a straight line may be drawn from any one point to any other point.
2. That a **FINITE** (or *terminated*) straight line may be **PRODUCED** (that is, *prolonged*) to any length in that straight line.
3. That a circle may be drawn with any point as centre and with a radius of any length.

**NOTES.** (i) Postulate 3, as stated above, implies that we may adjust the compasses to the length of any straight line  $PQ$ , and with a radius of this length draw a circle with any point  $O$  as centre. That is to say, the compasses may be used to *transfer distances* from one part of a diagram to another.

(ii) Hence from  $AB$ , the greater of two straight lines, we may cut off a part equal to  $PQ$  the less.

For if with centre  $A$ , and radius equal to  $PQ$ , we draw an arc of a circle cutting  $AB$  at  $X$ , it is obvious that  $AX$  is equal to  $PQ$ .



## INTRODUCTORY

1. Plane geometry deals with the properties of such lines and figures as may be drawn on a plane surface.

2. The subject is divided into a number of separate discussions, called **propositions**.

Propositions are of two kinds, **Theorems** and **Problems**.

A **Theorem** proposes to prove the truth of some geometrical statement.

A **Problem** proposes to perform some geometrical construction, such as to draw some particular line, or to construct some required figure.

3. A Proposition consists of the following parts :  
The *General Enunciation*, the *Particular Enunciation*, the *Construction*, and the *Proof*.

(i) The **General Enunciation** is a preliminary statement, describing in general terms the purpose of the proposition.

(ii) The **Particular Enunciation** repeats in special terms the statement already made, and refers it to a diagram, which enables the reader to follow the reasoning more easily.

(iii) The **Construction** then directs the drawing of such straight lines and circles as may be required to effect the purpose of a problem, or to prove the truth of a theorem.

(iv) The **Proof** shews that the object proposed in a problem has been accomplished, or that the property stated in a theorem is true.

4. The letters Q.E.D. are appended to a theorem, and stand for *Quod erat Demonstrandum*, which was to be proved.



5. A **Corollary** is a statement the truth of which follows readily from an established proposition ; it is therefore appended to the proposition as an inference or deduction, which usually requires no further proof.

6. The following symbols and abbreviations are used in the text of this book :

In Part I.

$\therefore$ for therefore,	$\angle$ for angle,
= " is, or are, equal to,	$\triangle$ " triangle.

After Part I.

pt. for point,	perp. for perpendicular,
st. line " straight line,	par <sup>m</sup> " parallelogram,
rt. $\angle$ " right angle,	rectil. " rectilineal,
par <sup>l</sup> (or   ) " parallel,	$\odot$ " circle,
sq. " square,	$\bigcirc^{\infty}$ " circumference ;

and all obvious contractions of commonly occurring words, such as opp., adj., diag., etc., for opposite, adjacent, diagonal, etc.

[For convenience of oral work, and to prevent the rather common abuse of contractions by beginners, the above code of signs has been introduced gradually, and at first somewhat sparingly.]

In numerical examples the following abbreviations will be used.

m. for metre,	cm. for centimetre,
mm. " millimetre.	km. " kilometre.

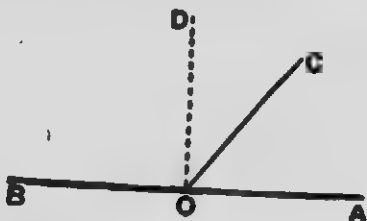
Also inches are denoted by the symbol (").

Thus 5" means 5 inches.

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## THEOREM 1. [Euclid I. 13]

*The adjacent angles which one straight line makes with another straight line on one side of it, are together equal to two right angles.*



Let the straight line  $CO$  make with the straight line  $AB$  the adjacent  $\angle AOC, COB$ .

*It is required to prove that the  $\angle AOC, COB$  are together equal to two right angles.*

Suppose  $OD$  is at right angles to  $BA$ .

**Proof.** Then the  $\angle AOC, COB$  together  
= the three  $\angle AOC, COD, DOB$ .

Also the  $\angle AOD, DOB$  together  
= the three  $\angle AOC, COD, DOB$ .

$\therefore$  the  $\angle AOC, COB$  together = the  $\angle AOD, DOB$   
= two right angles.

Q.E.D.

## PROOF BY ROTATION

Suppose a straight line revolving about  $O$  turns from the position  $OA$  into the position  $OC$ , and thence into the position  $OB$ ; that is, let the revolving line turn in succession through the  $\angle AOC, COB$ .

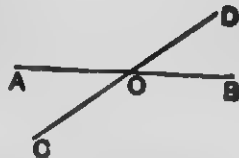
Now in passing from its first position  $OA$  to its final position  $OB$ , the revolving line turns through two right angles, for  $AOB$  is a straight line.

Hence the  $\angle AOC, COB$  together = two right angles.

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**COROLLARY 1.** *If two straight lines cut one another, the four angles so formed are together equal to four right angles.*



For example,

$$\angle BOD + \angle DOA + \angle AOC + \angle COB = 4 \text{ right angles.}$$

**COROLLARY 2.** *When any number of straight lines meet at a point, the sum of the consecutive angles so formed is equal to four right angles.*



For a straight line revolving about  $O$ , and turning in succession through the  $\angle AOB, BOC, COD, DOE, EOA$ , will have made one complete revolution, and therefore turned through four right angles.

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(i) Two angles whose sum is *two* right angles are said to be **supplementary** ; and each is called the **supplement** of the other.

Thus in the Fig. of Theor. 1 the angles  $AOC, COB$  are supplementary. Again the angle  $123^\circ$  is the supplement of the angle  $57^\circ$ .

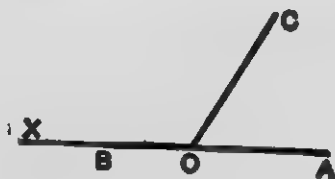
(ii) Two angles whose sum is *one* right angle are said to be **complementary** ; and each is called the **complement** of the other.

Thus in the Fig. of Theor. 1 the angle  $DOC$  is the complement of the angle  $AOC$ . Again angles of  $34^\circ$  and  $56^\circ$  are complementary.

**COROLLARY 3.** (i) *Supplements of the same angle are equal.*  
 (ii) *Complements of the same angle are equal.*

## THEOREM 2. [Euclid I. 14]

If, at a point in a straight line, two other straight lines, on opposite sides of it, make the adjacent angles together equal to two right angles, then these two straight lines are in one and the same straight line.



At  $O$  in the straight line  $CO$  let the two straight lines  $OA$ ,  $OB$ , on opposite sides of  $CO$ , make the adjacent  $\angle AOC$ ,  $COB$  together equal to two right angles : (that is, let the adjacent  $\angle AOC$ ,  $COB$  be supplementary).

It is required to prove that  $OB$  and  $OA$  are in the same straight line.

Produce  $AO$  beyond  $O$  to any point  $X$  : it will be shewn that  $OX$  and  $OB$  are the same line.

**Proof.** Since by construction  $AOX$  is a straight line,  
 $\therefore$  the  $\angle COX$  is the supplement of the  $\angle COA$ . *Theor. 1*

But, by hypothesis,  
 the  $\angle COB$  is the supplement of the  $\angle COA$ .

$\therefore$  the  $\angle COX =$  the  $\angle COB$ ;

$\therefore$   $OX$  and  $OB$  are the same line.

But, by construction,  $OX$  is in the same straight line with  $OA$ ;

hence  $OB$  is also in the same straight line with  $OA$ .

Q.E.D.

EXERCISES

1. Write down the supplements of *one-half* of a right angle, *four-thirds* of a right angle; also of  $46^\circ$ ,  $149^\circ$ ,  $83^\circ$ ,  $101^\circ 15'$ .

2. Write down the complement of *two-fifths* of a right angle; also of  $27^\circ$ ,  $38^\circ 16'$ , and  $41^\circ 29' 30''$ .

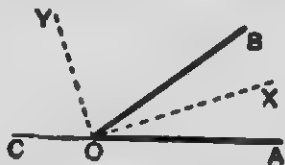
3. If two straight lines intersect forming four angles of which one is known to be a right angle, prove that the other three are also right angles.

4. In the triangle  $ABC$  the angles  $ABC$ ,  $ACB$  are given equal. If the side  $BC$  is produced both ways, shew that the exterior angles so formed are equal.

5. In the triangle  $ABC$  the angles  $ABC$ ,  $ACB$  are given equal. If  $AB$  and  $AC$  are produced beyond the base, shew that the exterior angles so formed are equal.

**DEFINITION.** The lines which bisect an angle and the adjacent angle made by producing one of its arms are called the **internal and external bisectors** of the given angle.

Thus in the diagram,  $OX$  and  $OY$  are the internal and external bisectors of the angle  $AOB$ .



6. Prove that the bisectors of the adjacent angles which one straight line makes with another contain a right angle. That is to say, the *internal and external bisectors of an angle are at right angles to one another*.

7. Shew that the angles  $AOX$  and  $COY$  in the above diagram are complementary.

8. Shew that the angles  $BOX$  and  $COX$  are supplementary; and also that the angles  $AOY$  and  $BOY$  are supplementary.

9. If the angle  $AOB$  is  $35^\circ$ , find the angle  $COY$ .

## THEOREM 3. [Euclid I. 15]

*If two straight lines cut one another, the vertically opposite angles are equal.*



Let the straight lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  cut one another at the point  $O$ .

*It is required to prove that*

- (i) *the  $\angle AOC = \text{the } \angle DOB$  ;*
- (ii) *the  $\angle COB = \text{the } \angle AOD$ .*

**Proof.** Because  $AO$  meets the straight line  $CD$ ,  
 $\therefore$  the adjacent  $\angle AOC$ ,  $AOD$  together = two right angles;  
 that is, the  $\angle AOC$  is the supplement of the  $\angle AOD$ .

Again, because  $DO$  meets the straight line  $AB$ ,  
 $\therefore$  the adjacent  $\angle DOB$ ,  $AOD$  together = two right angles;  
 that is, the  $\angle DOB$  is the supplement of the  $\angle AOD$ .  
 Thus each of the  $\angle AOC$ ,  $DOB$  is the supplement of the  $\angle AOD$ ,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle AOC = \text{the } \angle DOB$ .

Similarly, the  $\angle COB = \text{the } \angle AOD$ .

Q.E.D.

## PROOF BY ROTATION

Suppose the line  $COD$  to revolve about  $O$  until  $OC$  turns into the position  $OA$ . Then at the same moment  $OD$  must reach the position  $OB$  (for  $AOB$  and  $COD$  are straight).

Thus the same amount of turning is required to close the  $\angle AOC$  as to close the  $\angle DOB$ .

$\therefore$  the  $\angle AOC = \text{the } \angle DOB$ .

EXERCISES ON ANGLES

(Numerical)

1. Through what angles does the minute-hand of a clock turn in (i) 5 minutes, (ii) 21 minutes, (iii)  $43\frac{1}{2}$  minutes, (iv) 14 min. 10 sec.? And how long will it take to turn through (v)  $66^\circ$ , (vi)  $222^\circ$ ?
2. A clock is started at noon: through what angles will the hour-hand have turned by (i) 3.45, (ii) 10 minutes past 5? And what will be the time when it has turned through  $172\frac{1}{2}^\circ$ ?
3. The earth makes a complete revolution about its axis in 24 hours. Through what angle will it turn in 3 hrs. 20 min.?
4. In the diagram of Theorem 3
  - (i) If the  $\angle AOC = 35^\circ$ , write down (without measurement) the value of each of the  $\triangle COB$ ,  $BOD$ ,  $DOA$ .
  - (ii) If the  $\triangle COB$ ,  $AOD$  together make up  $250^\circ$ , find each of the  $\triangle COA$ ,  $BOD$ .
  - (iii) If the  $\triangle AOC$ ,  $COB$ ,  $BOD$  together make up  $274^\circ$ , find each of the four angles at  $O$ .

(Theoretical)

5. If from  $O$ , a point in  $AB$ , two straight lines  $OC$ ,  $OD$  are drawn on opposite sides of  $AB$  so as to make the angle  $COB$  equal to the angle  $AOD$ ; shew that  $OC$  and  $OD$  are in the same straight line.
6. Two straight lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  cross at  $O$ . If  $OX$  is the bisector of the angle  $BOD$ , prove that  $XO$  produced bisects the angle  $AOC$ .
7. Two straight lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  cross at  $O$ . If the angle  $BOD$  is bisected by  $OX$ , and  $AOC$  by  $OY$ , prove that  $OX$ ,  $OY$  are in the same straight line.
8. If  $OX$  bisects an angle  $AOB$ , shew that, by folding the diagram about the bisector,  $OA$  may be made to coincide with  $OB$ .  
How would  $OA$  fall with regard to  $OB$ , if
  - (i) the  $\angle AOX$  were greater than the  $\angle XOB$ ;
  - (ii) the  $\angle AOX$  were less than the  $\angle XOB$ ?
9.  $AB$  and  $CD$  are straight lines intersecting at right angles at  $O$ ; shew by folding the figure about  $AB$ , that  $OC$  may be made to fall along  $OD$ .
10. A straight line  $AOB$  is drawn on paper, which is then folded about  $O$ , so as to make  $OA$  fall along  $OB$ ; shew that the crease left in the paper is perpendicular to  $AB$ .

## ON TRIANGLES

1. Any portion of a plane surface bounded by one or more lines is called a **plane figure**.

The sum of the bounding lines is called the **perimeter** of the figure.

The amount of surface enclosed by the perimeter is called the **area**.

2. **Rectilinear figures** are those which are bounded by straight lines.

3. A **triangle** is a plane figure bounded by *three* straight lines.

4. A **quadrilateral** is a plane figure bounded by *four* straight lines.

5. A **polygon** is a plane figure bounded by more than four straight lines.



6. A **rectilinear figure** is said to be  
**equilateral**, when all its sides are equal;  
**equiangular**, when all its angles are equal;  
**regular**, when it is both equilateral and equiangular.

7. Triangles are thus classified with regard to their sides:  
 A triangle is said to be

**equilateral**, when *all* its sides are equal;  
**isosceles**, when *two* of its sides are equal;  
**scalene**, when its sides are all unequal.



Equilateral Triangle

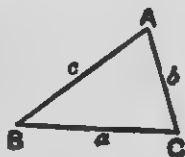


Isosceles Triangle



Scalene Triangle

In a triangle  $ABC$ , the letters  $A, B, C$  often denote the *magnitude* of the several angles (as measured in degrees); and the letters  $a, b, c$  the *lengths* of the opposite sides (as measured in inches, centimetres, or some other unit of length).





Any one of the angular points of a triangle may be regarded as its vertex; and the opposite side is then called the base.

In an *isosceles* triangle the term *vertex* is usually applied to the point at which the equal sides intersect; and the vertical angle is the angle included by them.

8. Triangles are thus classified with regard to their angles: A triangle is said to be

**right-angled**, when one of its angles is a right angle;

**obtuse-angled**, when one of its angles is obtuse;

**acute-angled**, when *all three* of its angles are acute.

[It will be seen hereafter (Theorem 8. Cor. 1) that every triangle must have at least two acute angles.]



Right-angled Triangle



Obtuse-angled Triangle



Acute-angled Triangle

In a right-angled triangle the side opposite to the right angle is called the **hypotenuse**.

9. In any triangle the straight line joining a vertex to the middle point of the opposite side is called a **median**.

## THE COMPARISON OF TWO TRIANGLES

(i) The three sides and three angles of a triangle are called its **six parts**. A triangle may also be considered with regard to its **area**.

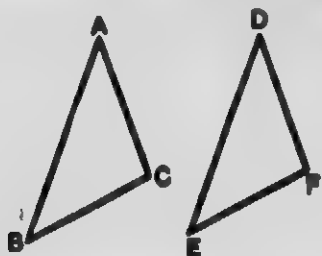
(ii) Two triangles are said to be **equal in all respects**, when one may be so placed upon the other as to exactly coincide with it; in which case each part of the first triangle is equal to the **corresponding** part (namely that with which it coincides) of the other; and the triangles are equal in area.

In two such triangles corresponding sides are *opposite to equal angles*, and corresponding angles are *opposite to equal sides*.

Triangles which may thus be made to coincide by superposition are said to be **identically equal or congruent**.

**THEOREM 4. [Euclid I. 4]**

*If two triangles have two sides of the one equal to two sides of the other, each to each, and the angles included by those sides equal, then the triangles are equal in all respects.*



Let  $ABC, DEF$  be two triangles in which

$$AB = DE,$$

$$AC = DF,$$

and the included angle  $BAC =$  the included angle  $EDF$ .

It is required to prove that the  $\triangle ABC =$  the  $\triangle DEF$  in all respects.

**Proof.**

Apply the  $\triangle ABC$  to the  $\triangle DEF$ ,  
so that the point  $A$  falls on the point  $D$ ,  
and the side  $AB$  along the side  $DE$ .

Then because  $AB = DE$ ,  
 $\therefore$  the point  $B$  must coincide with the point  $E$ .

And because  $AB$  falls along  $DE$ ,  
and the  $\angle BAC = \angle EDF$ ,

$\therefore AC$  must fall along  $DF$ .

And because  $AC = DF$ ,  
 $\therefore$  the point  $C$  must coincide with the point  $F$ .

Then since  $B$  coincides with  $E$ , and  $C$  with  $F$ ,  
 $\therefore$  the side  $BC$  must coincide with the side  $EF$ .

Hence the  $\triangle ABC$  coincides with the  $\triangle DEF$ ,  
and is therefore equal to it in all respects.

**Q.E.D.**

*Obs.* In this Theorem we must carefully observe what is given and what is proved.

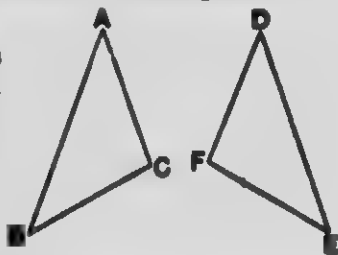
Given that  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} AB = DE, \\ AC = DF, \\ \text{and the } \angle BAC = \text{the } \angle EDF. \end{array} \right.$

From these data we prove that the triangles coincide on superposition.

Hence we conclude that  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} BC = EF, \\ \text{the } \angle ABC = \text{the } \angle DEF, \\ \text{and the } \angle ACB = \text{the } \angle DFE; \end{array} \right.$   
also that the triangles are equal in area.

*Notice that the angles which are proved equal in the two triangles are opposite to sides which were given equal.*

*NOTE.* The adjoining diagram shows that in order to make two congruent triangles coincide, it may be necessary to reverse, that is, turn over one of them before superposition.



## EXERCISES

1. Show that the bisector of the vertical angle of an isosceles triangle (i) bisects the base, (ii) is perpendicular to the base.

2. Let  $O$  be the middle point of a straight line  $AB$ , and let  $OC$  be perpendicular to it. If  $P$  is any point in  $OC$ , prove that  $PA = PB$ .

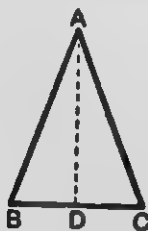
3. Assuming that the four sides of a square  $ABCD$  are equal, and that its angles are all right angles, prove the diagonals  $AC$ ,  $BD$  equal.

4.  $ABCD$  is a square, and  $L$ ,  $M$ , and  $N$  are the middle points of  $AB$ ,  $BC$ , and  $CD$ : using a separate figure in each case, prove that (i)  $LM = MN$ . (ii)  $AM = DM$ . (iii)  $AN = AM$ . (iv)  $BN = DM$ .

5.  $ABC$  is an isosceles triangle: from the equal sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$  two equal parts  $AX$ ,  $AY$  are cut off, and  $BY$  and  $CX$  are joined. Prove that  $BY = CX$ .

## THEOREM 5. [Euclid I. 5]

*The angles at the base of an isosceles triangle are equal.*



Let  $ABC$  be an isosceles triangle, in which the side  $AB =$  the side  $AC$ .

*It is required to prove that the  $\angle ABC =$  the  $\angle ACB$ .*

Suppose that  $AD$  is the line which bisects the  $\angle BAC$ , and let it meet  $BC$  in  $D$ .

**1st Proof.** Then in the  $\triangle BAD, CAD$ ,  
because  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} BA = CA, \\ AD \text{ is common to both triangles,} \\ \text{and the included } \angle BAD = \text{the included } \angle CAD; \end{array} \right.$   
 $\therefore$  the triangles are equal in all respects ; *Theor. 4.*  
so that the  $\angle ABD =$  the  $\angle ACD$ .

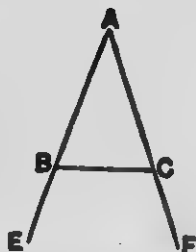
**Q.E.D.**

**2nd Proof.** Suppose the  $\triangle ABC$  to be folded about  $AD$ .  
Then since the  $\angle BAD =$  the  $\angle CAD$ ,  
 $\therefore AB$  must fall along  $AC$ .

And since  $AB = AC$ ,  
 $\therefore B$  must fall on  $C$ , and consequently  $DB$  on  $DC$ .  
 $\therefore$  the  $\angle ABD$  will coincide with the  $\angle ACD$ , and is therefore equal to it.

**Q.E.D.**

**COROLLARY 1.** *If the equal sides  $AB, AC$  of an isosceles triangle are produced, the exterior angles  $EBC, FCB$  are equal; for they are the supplements of the equal angles at the base.*



**COROLLARY 2.** *If a triangle is equilateral, it is also equiangular.*

**DEFINITION.** A figure is said to be **symmetrical about a line** when, on being folded about that line, the parts of the figure on each side of it can be brought into coincidence.

The straight line is called an **axis of symmetry**.

That this may be possible, it is clear that the two parts of the figure must have the same size and shape, and must be similarly placed with regard to the axis.

### EXERCISES

1.  $ABCD$  is a four-sided figure whose sides are all equal, and the diagonal  $BD$  is drawn: shew that

- (i) the angle  $ABD =$  the angle  $ADB$ ;
- (ii) the angle  $CBD =$  the angle  $CDB$ ;
- (iii) the angle  $ABC =$  the angle  $ADC$ .

2.  $ABC, DBC$  are two isosceles triangles drawn on the same base  $BC$ , but on *opposite* sides of it: prove (by means of Theorem 5) that

$$\text{the angle } ABD = \text{the angle } ACD.$$

3.  $ABC, DBC$  are two isosceles triangles drawn on the same base  $BC$  and on the *same* side of it: employ Theorem 5 to prove that

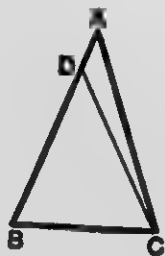
$$\text{the angle } ABD = \text{the angle } ACD.$$

4.  $AB, AC$  are the equal sides of an isosceles triangle  $ABC$ ; and  $L, M, N$  are the middle points of  $AB, BC$ , and  $CA$  respectively: prove that

- (i)  $LM = NM$ .
- (ii)  $BN = CL$ .
- (iii) the angle  $ALM =$  the angle  $ANM$ .

## THEOREM 6. [Euclid I. 6]

*If two angles of a triangle are equal to one another, then the sides which are opposite to the equal angles are equal to one another.*



Let  $ABC$  be a triangle in which

the  $\angle ABC = \text{the } \angle ACB$ .

*It is required to prove that the side  $AC = \text{the side } AB$ .*

If  $AC$  and  $AB$  are not equal, suppose that  $AB$  is the greater.

From  $BA$  cut off  $BD$  equal to  $AC$ .

Join  $DC$ .

**Proof.**

Then in the  $\triangle DBC, ACB$ ,  
 $DB = AC$ ,  
 $BC$  is common to both,  
 and the included  $\angle DBC = \text{the included } \angle ACB$ ;  
 $\therefore \text{the } \triangle DBC = \text{the } \triangle ACB \text{ in area, Theor. 4.}$   
 the part equal to the whole; which is absurd.  
 $\therefore AB$  is not unequal to  $AC$ ;  
 that is,  $AB = AC$ .

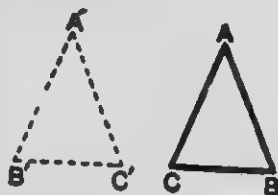
Q.E.D.

**COROLLARY.** *An equiangular triangle is also equilateral.*

In Theorem 6 we employ an *indirect method of proof* frequently used in geometry. It consists in shewing that the theorem *cannot be untrue*; since, if it were, we should be led to some *impossible conclusion*. This form of proof is known as *Reductio ad Absurdum*.

## NOTE ON THEOREMS 5 AND 6

Theorems 5 and 6 may be verified experimentally by cutting out the given  $\triangle ABC$ , and, after turning it over, fitting it thus reversed into the vacant space left in the paper.



Suppose  $A'B'C'$  to be the original position of the  $\triangle ABC$ , and let  $ACB$  represent the triangle when reversed.

In Theorem 5, it will be found on applying  $A$  to  $A'$  that  $C$  may be made to fall on  $B'$ , and  $B$  on  $C'$ .

In Theorem 6, on applying  $C$  to  $B'$  and  $B$  to  $C'$  we find that  $A$  will fall on  $A'$ .

In either case the given triangle *reversed* will coincide with its own "trace," so that the side and angle on the *left* are respectively equal to the side and angle on the *right*.

## NOTE ON A THEOREM AND ITS CONVERSE

The enunciation of a theorem consists of two clauses. The first clause tells us what we are to *assume*, and is called the **hypothesis**; the second tells us what *it is required to prove*, and is called the **conclusion**.

For example, the enunciation of Theorem 5 assumes that in a certain triangle  $ABC$  the side  $AB =$  the side  $AC$ : this is the *hypothesis*. From this it is required to prove that the angle  $ABC =$  the angle  $ACB$ : this is the *conclusion*.

If we interchange the hypothesis and conclusion of a theorem, we enunciate a new theorem which is called the **converse** of the first.

For example, in Theorem 5

it is *assumed* that

$$AB = AC;$$

it is *required to prove* that the angle  $ABC =$  the angle  $ACB$ . }

Now in Theorem 6

it is *assumed* that the angle  $ABC =$  the angle  $ACB$ ; }

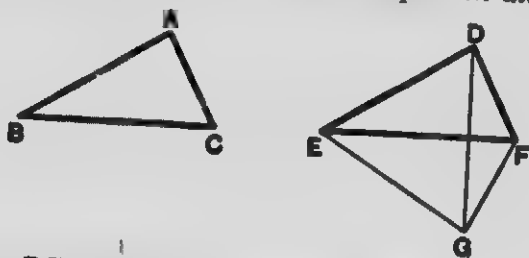
it is *required to prove* that  $AB = AC$ .

Thus we see that Theorem 6 is the converse of Theorem 5; for the *hypothesis* of each is the *conclusion* of the other.

It must not however be supposed that if a theorem is true, its converse is *necessarily* true. [See p. 25.]

## THEOREM 7. [Euclid I. 8]

*If two triangles have the three sides of the one equal to the three sides of the other, each to each, they are equal in all respects.*



Let  $ABC, DEF$  be two triangles in which

$$AB = DE,$$

$$AC = DF,$$

$$BC = EF.$$

*It is required to prove that the triangles are equal in all respects.*

**Proof.**

Apply the  $\triangle ABC$  to the  $\triangle DEF$ ,  
so that  $B$  falls on  $E$ , and  $BC$  along  $EF$ , and  
so that  $A$  is on the side of  $EF$  opposite to  $D$ .

Then because  $BC = EF$ ,  $C$  must fall on  $F$ .

Let  $GEF$  be the new position of the  $\triangle ABC$ .

Join  $DG$ .

Because  $ED = EG$ ,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle EDG =$  the  $\angle EGD$ .

*Theor. 5.*

Again, because  $FD = FG$ ,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle FDG =$  the  $\angle FGD$ .

Hence the whole  $\angle EDF =$  the whole  $\angle EGF$ ;  
that is, the  $\angle EDF =$  the  $\angle BAC$ .

Then in the  $\triangle BAC, EDF$ ;

because {  $BA = ED$ , and  $AC = DF$ ,  
and the included  $\angle BAC =$  the included  $\angle EDF$ ;  
 $\therefore$  the triangles are equal in all respects. *Theor. 4.*

**Q.E.D.**



*Obs.* In this Theorem

it is *given* that  $AB = DE$ ,  $BC = EF$ ,  $CA = FD$ ;

and we *prove* that  $\angle C = \angle F$ ,  $\angle A = \angle D$ ,  $\angle B = \angle E$ .

Also the triangles are equal in area.

Notice that the angles which are proved equal in the two triangles are opposite to sides which were given equal.

NOTE 1. We have taken the case in which  $DG$  falls within the  $\triangle EDF$ ,  $EGF$ .

Two other cases might arise :

(i)  $DG$  might fall outside the  $\triangle EDF$ ,  $EGF$  [as in Fig. 1.]

(ii)  $DG$  might coincide with  $DF$ ,  $FG$  [as in Fig. 2.]

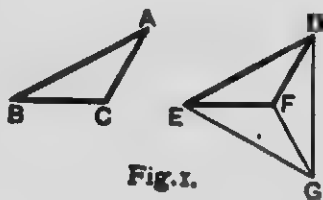


Fig.1.

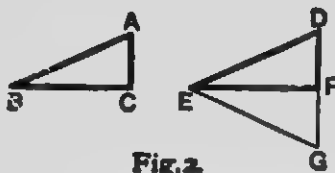


Fig.2.

These cases will arise only when the given triangles are obtuse-angled or right-angled ; and (as will be seen hereafter) not even then, if we begin by choosing for superposition the *greatest* side of the  $\triangle ABC$ , as in the diagram of page 24.

NOTE 2. Two triangles are said to be **equiangular to one another** when the angles of one are respectively equal to the angles of the other.

Hence if two triangles have the three sides of one severally equal to the three sides of the other, the triangles are equiangular to one another.

The student should state the converse theorem, and shew by a diagram that the converse is not necessarily true.

\* \* \* At this stage Problems 1-5 and 8 [see page 70] may conveniently be taken, the proofs affording good illustrations of the *Identical Equality of Two Triangles*.

## GEOMETRY

## EXERCISES

ON THE IDENTICAL EQUALITY OF TWO TRIANGLES  
THEOREMS 4 AND 7

(Theoretical)

1. Shew that the straight line which joins the vertex of an isosceles triangle to the middle point of the base,
  - (i) bisects the vertical angle: (ii) is perpendicular to the base.
2. If  $ABCD$  is a rhombus, that is, an equilateral four-sided figure; shew, by drawing the diagonals  $AC$ ,  $BD$ , that
  - (i) the angle  $ABC =$  the angle  $ADC$ ;
  - (ii)  $AC$  bisects each of the angles  $BAD$ ,  $BCD$ .
  - (iii) the diagonals bisect one another at right angles.
3. If in a quadrilateral  $ABCD$  the opposite sides are equal, namely  $AB = CD$  and  $AD = CB$ ; prove that the angle  $ADC =$  the angle  $ABC$ .
4. If  $ABC$  and  $DBC$  are two isosceles triangles drawn on the same base  $BC$ , prove (by means of Theorem 7) that the angle  $ABD =$  the angle  $ACD$ , taking (i) the case where the triangles are on the same side of  $BC$ , (ii) the case where they are on opposite sides of  $BC$ .
5. If  $ABC$ ,  $DBC$  are two isosceles triangles drawn on opposite sides of the same base  $BC$ , and if  $AD$  be joined, prove that each of the angles  $BAC$ ,  $BDC$  will be divided into two equal parts.
6. Shew that the straight lines which join the extremities of the base of an isosceles triangle to the middle points of the opposite sides are equal to one another.
7. Two given points in the base of an isosceles triangle are equidistant from the extremities of the base; shew that they are also equidistant from the vertex.
8. Shew that the triangle formed by joining the middle points of the sides of an equilateral triangle is also equilateral.
9.  $ABC$  is an isosceles triangle having  $AB$  equal to  $AC$ ; and the angles at  $B$  and  $C$  are bisected by  $BO$  and  $CO$ : shew that
  - (i)  $BO = CO$ ; (ii)  $AO$  bisects the angle  $BAC$ .
10. The equal sides  $BA$ ,  $CA$  of an isosceles triangle  $BAC$  are produced beyond the vertex  $A$  to the points  $E$  and  $F$ , so that  $AE$  is equal to  $AF$ ; and  $FB$ ,  $EC$  are joined: shew that  $FB$  is equal to  $EC$ .

EXERCISES ON TRIANGLES

(Numerical and Graphical)

1. Draw a triangle  $ABC$ , having given  $a = 2.0''$ ,  $b = 2.1''$ ,  $c = 1.3''$ . Measure the angles, and find their sum.

2. In the triangle  $ABC$ ;  $a = 7.5$  cm.,  $b = 7.0$  cm.,  $c = 6.5$  cm. Draw and measure the perpendicular from  $B$  on  $CA$ .

3. Draw a triangle  $ABC$ , in which  $a = 7$  cm.,  $b = 6$  cm.,  $C = 65^\circ$ .

How would you prove theoretically that any two triangles having these parts are alike in size and shape? Invent some experimental illustration.

4. Draw a triangle from the following data:  $b = 2''$ ,  $c = 2.5''$ ,  $A = 57^\circ$ ; and measure  $a$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ .

Draw a second triangle, using as data the values just found for  $a$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ ; and measure  $b$ ,  $c$ ,  $A$ . What conclusion do you draw?

5. When the sun is  $42^\circ$  above the horizon, a vertical pole casts a shadow 30 ft. long. Represent this on a diagram (scale  $1''$  to 10 ft.); and find by measurement the approximate height of the pole.

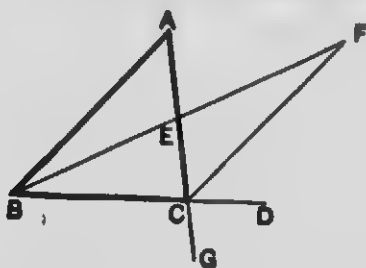
6. From a point  $A$  a surveyor goes 150 yards due East to  $B$ ; then 300 yards due North to  $C$ ; finally 450 yards due West to  $D$ . Plot his course (scale  $1''$  to 100 yards); and find roughly how far  $D$  is from  $A$ . Measure the angle  $DAB$ , and say in what direction  $D$  bears from  $A$ .

7.  $B$  and  $C$  are two points, known to be 260 yards apart, on a straight shore.  $A$  is a vessel at anchor. The angles  $CBA$ ,  $BCA$  are observed to be  $33^\circ$  and  $81^\circ$  respectively. Find graphically the approximate distance of the vessel from the points  $B$  and  $C$ , and from the nearest point on shore.

8. In surveying a park it is required to find the distance between two points  $A$  and  $B$ ; but as a lake intervenes, a direct measurement cannot be made. The surveyor therefore takes a third point  $C$ , from which both  $A$  and  $B$  are accessible, and he finds  $CA = 245$  yards,  $CB = 320$  yards, and the angle  $ACB = 42^\circ$ . Ascertain from a plan the approximate distance between  $A$  and  $B$ .

## THEOREM 8. [Euclid I. 16]

*If one side of a triangle is produced, then the exterior angle is greater than either of the interior opposite angles.*



Let  $ABC$  be a triangle, and let  $BC$  be produced to  $D$ .

*It is required to prove that the exterior  $\angle ACD$  is greater than either of the interior opposite  $\angle ABC$ ,  $\angle BAC$ .*

Suppose  $E$  to be the middle point of  $AC$ .

Join  $BE$ ; and produce it to  $F$ , making  $EF$  equal to  $BE$ .

Join  $FC$ .

**Proof.**

Then in the  $\triangle AEB$ ,  $CEF$ ,

because {  $AE = CE$ ,  
 $EB = EF$ ,  
 and the  $\angle AEB =$  the vertically opposite  $\angle CEF$ ;  
 $\therefore$  the triangles are equal in all respects; *Theor. 4.*  
 so that the  $\angle BAE =$  the  $\angle ECF$ .

But the  $\angle ECD$  is greater than the  $\angle ECF$ ;

$\therefore$  the  $\angle ECD$  is greater than the  $\angle BAE$ ;

that is, the  $\angle ACD$  is greater than the  $\angle BAC$ .

In the same way, if  $AC$  is produced to  $G$ , by supposing  $A$  to be joined to the middle point of  $BC$ , it may be proved that the  $\angle BCG$  is greater than the  $\angle ABC$ .

But the  $\angle BCG =$  the vertically opposite  $\angle ACD$ .

$\therefore$  the  $\angle ACD$  is greater than the  $\angle ABC$ . Q.E.D.

**COROLLARY 1.** *Any two angles of a triangle are together less than two right angles.*

For the  $\angle ABC$  is less than the  $\angle ACD$ ; *Proved.*  
to each add the  $\angle ACB$ .

Then the  $\angle ABC, \angle ACB$  are less than the  $\angle ACD, \angle ACB$ ,  
therefore, less than two right angles.

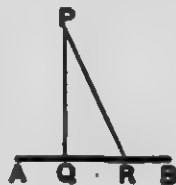


**COROLLARY 2.** *Every triangle must have at least two acute angles.*

For if one angle is obtuse or a right angle, then by Cor. 1 each of the other angles must be less than a right angle.

**COROLLARY 3.** *Only one perpendicular can be drawn to a straight line from a given point outside it.*

If two perpendiculars could be drawn to  $AB$  from  $P$ , we should have a triangle  $PQR$  in which each of the  $\angle PQR, \angle PRQ$  would be a right angle, which is impossible.



### EXERCISES

1. Prove Corollary 1 by joining the vertex  $A$  to any point in the base  $BC$ .

2.  $ABC$  is a triangle and  $D$  any point within it. If  $BD$  and  $CD$  are joined, the angle  $BDC$  is greater than the angle  $BAC$ . Prove this

(i) by producing  $BD$  to meet  $AC$ .

(ii) by joining  $AD$ , and producing it towards the base.

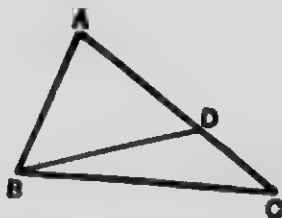
3. If any side of a triangle is produced both ways, the exterior angles so formed are together greater than two right angles.

4. To a given straight line there cannot be drawn from a point outside it more than two straight lines of the same given length.

5. If the equal sides of an isosceles triangle are produced, the exterior angles must be obtuse.

## THEOREM 9. [Euclid I. 18]

*If one side of a triangle is greater than another, then the angle opposite to the greater side is greater than the angle opposite to the less.*



Let  $ABC$  be a triangle, in which the side  $AC$  is greater than the side  $AB$ .

*It is required to prove that the  $\angle ABC$  is greater than the  $\angle ACB$ .*

From  $AC$  cut off  $AD$  equal to  $AB$ .  
Join  $BD$ .

**Proof.**

Because  $AB = AD$ ,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle ABD =$  the  $\angle ADB$ . *Theor. 5.*

But the exterior  $\angle ADB$  of the  $\triangle BDC$  is greater than the interior opposite  $\angle DCB$ ; that is, greater than the  $\angle ACB$ .

$\therefore$  the  $\angle ABD$  is greater than the  $\angle ACB$ .

Still more then is the  $\angle ABC$  greater than the  $\angle ACB$ .

Q.E.D.

*Obs.* The mode of demonstration used in the following Theorem is known as the **Proof by Exhaustion**. It is applicable to cases in which one of certain suppositions must necessarily be true; and it consists in shewing that each of these suppositions is false with one exception: hence the truth of the remaining supposition is inferred.

## THEOREM 10. [Euclid I. 19]

*If one angle of a triangle is greater than another, then the side opposite to the greater angle is greater than the side opposite to the less.*



Let  $ABC$  be a triangle, in which the  $\angle ABC$  is greater than the  $\angle ACB$ .

*It is required to prove that the side  $AC$  is greater than the side  $AB$ .*

**Proof.** If  $AC$  is not greater than  $AB$ ,  
it must be either equal to, or less than  $AB$ .

Now if  $AC$  were equal to  $AB$ ,  
then the  $\angle ABC$  would be equal to the  $\angle ACB$ ; *Theor. 5.*  
but, by hypothesis, it is not.

Again, if  $AC$  were less than  $AB$ ,  
then the  $\angle ABC$  would be less than the  $\angle ACB$ ; *Theor. 9.*  
but, by hypothesis, it is not.

That is,  $AC$  is neither equal to, nor less than  $AB$ .

$\therefore AC$  is greater than  $AB$ . Q.E.D.

[For Exercises on Theorems 9 and 10 see page 34.]

## THEOREM 11. [Euclid I. 20]

*Any two sides of a triangle are together greater than the third side.*



Let  $ABC$  be a triangle.

*It is required to prove that any two of its sides are together greater than the third side.*

It is enough to shew that if  $BC$  is the greatest side, then  $BA, AC$  are together greater than  $BC$ .

Produce  $BA$  to  $D$ , making  $AD$  equal to  $AC$ .  
Join  $DC$ .

**Proof.**

Because  $AD = AC$ ,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle ACD =$  the  $\angle ADC$ . *Theor. 5.*

But the  $\angle BCD$  is greater than the  $\angle ACD$  ;

$\therefore$  the  $\angle BCD$  is greater than the  $\angle ADC$ ,  
that is, than the  $\angle BDC$ .

Hence from the  $\triangle BDC$ ,

$BD$  is greater than  $BC$ .

*Theor. 10.*

But  $BD = BA$  and  $AC$  together ;

$\therefore BA$  and  $AC$  are together greater than  $BC$ .

Q.E.D.

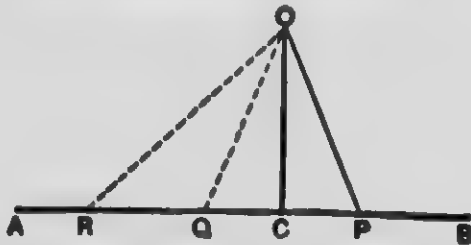
**NOTE.** This proof may serve as an exercise. The truth of the Theorem is really self-evident. For to go from  $B$  to  $C$  along the straight line  $BC$  is clearly shorter than to go from  $B$  to  $A$  and then from  $A$  to  $C$ . In other words

*The shortest distance between two points is the straight line which joins them.*



THEOREM 12

*Of all straight lines drawn from a given point to a given straight line the perpendicular is the least.*



Let  $OC$  be the perpendicular, and  $OP$  any oblique, drawn from the given point  $O$  to the given straight line  $AB$ .

*It is required to prove that  $OC$  is less than  $OP$ .*

**Proof.** In the  $\triangle OCP$ , since the  $\angle OCP$  is a right angle,  
 $\therefore$  the  $\angle OPC$  is less than a right angle; *Theor. 8. Cor.*  
 that is, the  $\angle OPC$  is less than the  $\angle OCP$ .

$\therefore OC$  is less than  $OP$ .

*Theor. 10.*

*Q.E.D.*

**COROLLARY 1.** Hence conversely, since there can be only one perpendicular and one shortest line from  $O$  to  $AB$ ,

*If  $OC$  is the shortest straight line from  $O$  to  $AB$ , then  $OC$  is perpendicular to  $AB$ .*

**COROLLARY 2.** Two obliques  $OP$ ,  $OQ$ , which cut  $AB$  at equal distances from  $C$ , the foot of the perpendicular, are equal.

The  $\triangle OCP$ ,  $OCQ$  may be shewn to be congruent by Theorem 4;  
 hence  $OP = OQ$ .

**COROLLARY 3.** Of two obliques  $OQ$ ,  $OR$ , if  $OR$  cuts  $AB$  at the greater distance from  $C$ , the foot of the perpendicular, then  $OR$  is greater than  $OQ$ .

The  $\angle OQC$  is acute,  $\therefore$  the  $\angle OQR$  is obtuse;

$\therefore$  the  $\angle OQR$  is greater than the  $\angle ORQ$ ;

$\therefore OR$  is greater than  $OQ$ .

## EXERCISES ON INEQUALITIES IN A TRIANGLE

1. *The hypotenuse is the greatest side of a right-angled triangle.*
2. *The greatest side of any triangle makes acute angles with each of the other sides.*
3. *If from the ends of a side of a triangle, two straight lines are drawn to a point within the triangle, then these straight lines are together less than the other two sides of the triangle.*
4.  *$BC$ , the base of an isosceles triangle  $ABC$ , is produced to any point  $D$ ; shew that  $AD$  is greater than either of the equal sides.*
5. *If in a quadrilateral the greatest and least sides are opposite to one another, then each of the angles adjacent to the least side is greater than its opposite angle.*
6. *In a triangle  $ABC$ , if  $AC$  is not greater than  $AB$ , shew that any straight line drawn through the vertex  $A$  and terminated by the base  $BC$ , is less than  $AB$ .*
7.  *$ABC$  is a triangle, in which  $OB$ ,  $OC$  bisect the angles  $ABC$ ,  $ACB$  respectively: shew that, if  $AB$  is greater than  $AC$ , then  $OB$  is greater than  $OC$ .*
8. *The difference of any two sides of a triangle is less than the third side.*
9. *The sum of the distances of any point from the three angular points of a triangle is greater than half its perimeter.*
10.  *$ABC$  is a triangle, and the vertical angle  $BAC$  is bisected by a line which meets  $BC$  in  $X$ ; shew that  $BA$  is greater than  $BX$ , and  $CA$  greater than  $CX$ . Hence obtain a proof of Theorem 11.*
11. *The sum of the distances of any point within a triangle from its angular points is less than the perimeter of the triangle.*
12. *The sum of the diagonals of a quadrilateral is not greater than the sum of the four straight lines drawn from the angular points to any given point. In what case are these sums equal?*
13. *In a triangle any two sides are together greater than twice the median which bisects the remaining side.*  
[Produce the median, and complete the construction after the manner of Theorem 8.]
14. *In any triangle the sum of the medians is less than the perimeter.*

# PARALLELS

**DEFINITION.** Parallel straight lines are such as, being in the same plane, do not meet however far they are produced beyond both ends.

**NOTE.** Parallel lines must be in the same plane. For instance, two straight lines, one of which is drawn on a table and the other on the floor, would never meet if produced; but they are not for that reason necessarily parallel.

**AXIOM.** Two intersecting straight lines cannot both be parallel to a third straight line.

In other words :

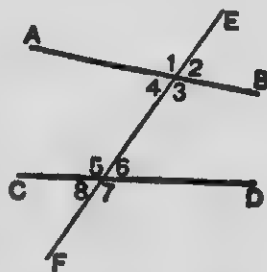
*Through a given point there can be only one straight line parallel to a given straight line.*

This assumption is known as *Playfair's Axiom*.

**DEFINITION.** When two straight lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  are met by a third straight line  $EF$ , eight angles are formed, to which for the sake of distinction particular names are given.

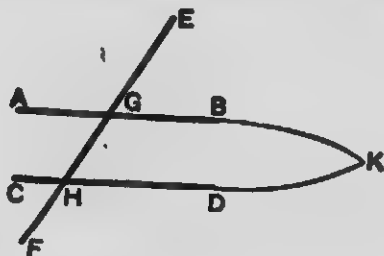
Thus in the adjoining figure,  
1, 2, 7, 8 are called exterior angles,  
3, 4, 5, 6 are called interior angles,  
4 and 6 are said to be alternate angles;  
so also the angles 3 and 5 are alternate to one another.

Of the angles 2 and 6, 2 is referred to as the exterior angle, and 6 as the interior opposite angle on the same side of  $EF$ . Such angles are also known as corresponding angles. Similarly 7 and 3, 8 and 4, 1 and 5 are pairs of corresponding angles.



**THEOREM 13.** [Euclid I. 27 and 28]

If a straight line cuts two other straight lines so as to make  
 (i) the alternate angles equal,  
 or (ii) an exterior angle equal to the interior opposite angle on  
 the same side of the cutting line,  
 or (iii) the interior angles on the same side equal to two right  
 angles ;  
 then in each case the two straight lines are parallel.



(i) Let the straight line  $EGHF$  cut the two straight lines  $AB, CD$  at  $G$  and  $H$  so as to make the alternate  $\angle AGH, GHD$  equal to one another.

It is required to prove that  $AB$  and  $CD$  are parallel.

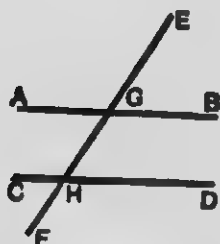
**Proof.** If  $AB$  and  $CD$  are not parallel, they will meet, if produced, either towards  $B$  and  $D$ , or towards  $A$  and  $C$ .  
 If possible, let  $AB$  and  $CD$ , when produced, meet towards  $B$  and  $D$ , at the point  $K$ .

Then  $KGH$  is a triangle, of which one side  $KG$  is produced to  $A$  ;

$\therefore$  the exterior  $\angle AGH$  is greater than the interior opposite  $\angle GHK$  ; but, by hypothesis, it is not greater.

$\therefore AB$  and  $CD$  cannot meet when produced towards  $B$  and  $D$ .  
 Similarly it may be shewn that they cannot meet towards  $A$  and  $C$  :

$\therefore AB$  and  $CD$  are parallel.



(ii) Let the exterior  $\angle EGB =$  the interior opposite  $\angle GHD$ .

*It is required to prove that AB and CD are parallel.*

**Proof.** Because the  $\angle EGB =$  the  $\angle GHD$ ,  
and the  $\angle EGB =$  the vertically opposite  $\angle AGH$  ;  
 $\therefore$  the  $\angle AGH =$  the  $\angle GHD$  ;  
and these are alternate angles ;  
 $\therefore$  AB and CD are parallel.

(iii) Let the two interior  $\angle BGH, GHD$  be together equal to two right angles.

*It is required to prove that AB and CD are parallel.*

**Proof.** Because the  $\angle BGH, GHD$  together = two right angles ;  
and because the adjacent  $\angle BGH, AGH$  together = two right angles ;

$\therefore$  the  $\angle BGH, AGH$  together =  $\angle BGH, GHD$ .

From these equals take the  $\angle BGH$  ;  
then the remaining  $\angle AGH =$  the remaining  $\angle GHD$  :  
and these are alternate angles ;  
 $\therefore$  AB and CD are parallel. Q.E.D.

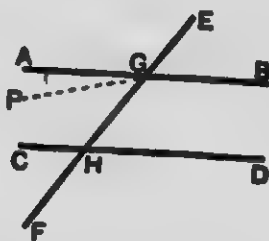
**DEFINITION.** A straight line drawn across a set of given lines is called a **transversal**.

For instance, in the above diagram the line  $EGHF$ , which crosses the given lines  $AB, CD$ , is a transversal.

## THEOREM 14. [Euclid I. 29]

If a straight line cuts two parallel lines, it makes

- (i) the alternate angles equal to one another ;
- (ii) the exterior angle equal to the interior opposite angle on the same side of the cutting line ;
- (iii) the two interior angles on the same side together equal to two right angles.



Let the straight lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  be parallel, and let the straight line  $EGHF$  cut them.

It is required to prove that

- (i) the  $\angle AGH =$  the alternate  $\angle GHD$  ;
- (ii) the exterior  $\angle EGB =$  the interior opposite  $\angle GHD$  ;
- (iii) the two interior  $\angle BGH$ ,  $\angle GHD$  together  $=$  two right angles.

**Proof.** (i) If the  $\angle AGH$  is not equal to the  $\angle GHD$ , suppose the  $\angle PGH$  equal to the  $\angle GHD$ , and alternate to it; then  $PG$  and  $CD$  are parallel. *Theor. 13.*

But, by hypothesis,  $AB$  and  $CD$  are parallel ;  
 $\therefore$  the two intersecting straight lines  $AG$ ,  $PG$  are both parallel to  $CD$  : which is impossible.

*Playfair's Axiom.*  
 $\therefore$  the  $\angle AGH$  is not unequal to the  $\angle GHD$  ;  
 that is, the alternate  $\angle AGH$ ,  $\angle GHD$  are equal.

(ii) Again, because the  $\angle EGB =$  the vertically opposite  $\angle AGH$  ;

and the  $\angle AGH =$  the alternate  $\angle GHD$ ; *Proved.*

$\therefore$  the exterior  $\angle EGB =$  the interior opposite  $\angle GHD$ .

(iii) Lastly, the  $\angle EGB =$  the  $\angle GHD$  ; *Proved.*

add to each the  $\angle BGH$  ;

then the  $\Delta EGB, BGH$  together = the angles  $BGH, GHD$ .

But the adjacent  $\Delta EGB, BGH$  together = two right angles ;

$\therefore$  the two interior  $\Delta BGH, GHD$  together = two right angles.

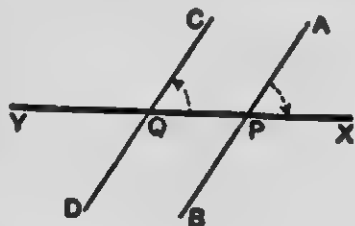
Q.E.D.

### PARALLELS ILLUSTRATED BY ROTATION

The direction of a straight line is determined by the angle which it makes with some given line of reference.

Thus the direction of  $AB$ , relatively to the given line  $YX$ , is given by the angle  $APX$ .

Now suppose that  $AB$  and  $CD$  in the adjoining diagram are parallel; then we have learned that the ext.  $\angle APX =$  the int. opp.  $\angle CQX$ ; that is,  $AB$  and  $CD$  make equal angles with the line of reference  $YX$ .



This brings us to the leading idea connected with parallels:

*Parallel straight lines have the same DIRECTION, but differ in POSITION.*

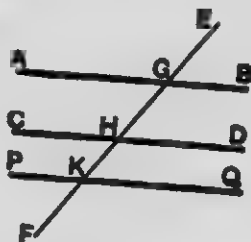
The same idea may be illustrated thus:

Suppose  $AB$  to rotate about  $P$  through the  $\angle APX$ , so as to take the position  $XY$ . Thence let it rotate about  $Q$  the opposite way through the equal  $\angle XQC$ : it will now take the position  $CD$ . Thus  $AB$  may be brought into the position of  $CD$  by two rotations which, being equal and opposite, involve no final change of direction.

*Obs.* If  $AB$  is a straight line, movements from  $A$  towards  $B$ , and from  $B$  towards  $A$  are said to be in opposite senses of the line  $AB$ .

## THEOREM 15. [Euclid I. 30]

*Straight lines which are parallel to the same straight line are parallel to one another.*



Let the straight lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  be each parallel to the straight line  $PQ$ .

*It is required to prove that  $AB$  and  $CD$  are parallel to one another.*

Draw a straight line  $EF$  cutting  $AB$ ,  $CD$ , and  $PQ$  in the points  $G$ ,  $H$ , and  $K$ .

**Proof.** Then because  $AB$  and  $PQ$  are parallel, and  $EF$  meets them,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle AGK =$  the alternate  $\angle GKQ$ .

And because  $CD$  and  $PQ$  are parallel, and  $EF$  meets them,

$\therefore$  the exterior  $\angle GHD =$  the interior opposite  $\angle GKQ$ .

$\therefore$  the  $\angle AGH =$  the  $\angle GHD$ ;

and these are alternate angles;

$\therefore AB$  and  $CD$  are parallel.

Q.E.D.

**HYPOTHETICAL CONSTRUCTION.** In the diagram on p. 39 let  $AB$  be a fixed straight line,  $Q$  a fixed point,  $CD$  a straight line turning about  $Q$ , and  $YQPX$  any transversal through  $Q$ . Then as  $CD$  rotates, there must be one position in which the  $\angle CQX =$  the fixed  $\angle APX$ .

Hence through any given point we may assume a line to pass parallel to any given straight line.

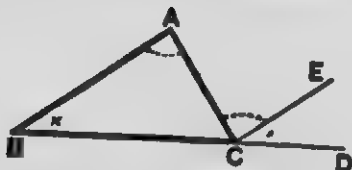


EXERCISES ON PARALLELS

1. In the diagram of the previous page, if the angle  $EGB$  is  $55^\circ$ , express in degrees each of the angles  $GHC$ ,  $HKQ$ ,  $QKF$ .
2. Straight lines which are perpendicular to the same straight line are parallel to one another.
3. If a straight line meets two or more parallel straight lines, and is perpendicular to one of them, it is also perpendicular to all the others.
4. Angles of which the arms are parallel, each to each, are either equal or supplementary.
5. Two straight lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  bisect one another at  $O$ . Shew that the straight lines joining  $AC$  and  $BD$  are parallel.
6. Any straight line drawn parallel to the base of an isosceles triangle makes equal angles with the sides.
7. If from any point in the bisector of an angle a straight line is drawn parallel to either arm of the angle, the triangle thus formed is isosceles.
8. From  $X$ , a point in the base  $BC$  of an isosceles triangle  $ABC$ , a straight line is drawn at right angles to the base, cutting  $AB$  in  $Y$ , and  $CA$  produced in  $Z$ : shew the triangle  $AYZ$  is isosceles.
9. If the straight line which bisects an exterior angle of a triangle is parallel to the opposite side, shew that the triangle is isosceles.
10. The straight lines drawn from any point in the bisector of an angle parallel to the arms of the angle, and terminated by them, are equal; and the resulting figure is a rhombus.
11.  $AB$  and  $CD$  are two straight lines intersecting at  $D$ , and the adjacent angles so formed are bisected: if through any point  $X$  in  $DC$  a straight line  $YXZ$  is drawn parallel to  $AB$  and meeting the bisectors in  $Y$  and  $Z$ , shew that  $XY$  is equal to  $XZ$ .
12. Two straight rods  $PA$ ,  $QB$  revolve about pivots at  $P$  and  $Q$ ,  $PA$  making 12 complete revolutions a minute, and  $QB$  making 10. If they start parallel and pointing the same way, how long will it be before they are again parallel, (i) pointing opposite ways, (ii) pointing the same way?

## THEOREM 16. [Euclid I. 32]

*The three angles of a triangle are together equal to two right angles.*



Let  $ABC$  be a triangle.

*It is required to prove that the three  $\Delta ABC, BCA, CAB$  together = two right angles.*

Produce  $BC$  to any point  $D$ ; and suppose  $CE$  to be the line through  $C$  parallel to  $BA$ .

**Proof.** Because  $BA$  and  $CE$  are parallel and  $AC$  meets them,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle ACE =$  the alternate  $\angle CAB$ .

Again, because  $BA$  and  $CE$  are parallel, and  $BD$  meets them,

$\therefore$  the exterior  $\angle ECD =$  the interior opposite  $\angle ABC$ .

$\therefore$  the whole exterior  $\angle ACD =$  the sum of the two interior opposite  $\Delta CAB, ABC$ .

To each of these equals add the  $\angle BCA$ ; then the  $\Delta BCA, ACD$  together = the three  $\Delta BCA, CAB, ABC$ .

But the adjacent  $\Delta BCA, ACD$  together = two right angles.

$\therefore$  the  $\Delta BCA, CAB, ABC$  together = two right angles.

Q.E.D.

**Obs.** In the course of this proof the following most important property has been established.

*If a side of a triangle is produced, the exterior angle is equal to the sum of the two interior opposite angles.*

Namely, the ext.  $\angle ACD =$  the  $\angle CAB +$  the  $\angle ABC$ .

## INFERENCES FROM THEOREM 16

1. If  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  denote the number of degrees in the angles of a triangle,

$$\text{then } A + B + C = 180^\circ.$$

2. If two triangles have two angles of the one respectively equal to two angles of the other, then the third angle of the one is equal to the third angle of the other.

3. In any right-angled triangle the two acute angles are complementary.

4. If one angle of a triangle is equal to the sum of the other two, the triangle is right-angled.

5. The sum of the angles of any quadrilateral figure is equal to four right angles.

## EXERCISES ON THEOREM 16

1. Each angle of an equilateral triangle is  $60^\circ$ .

2. In a right-angled isosceles triangle the angles are  $45^\circ$ ,  $45^\circ$ ,  $90^\circ$ .

3. Two angles of a triangle are  $36^\circ$  and  $123^\circ$  respectively: deduce the third angle; and verify your result by measurement.

4. In a triangle  $ABC$ , the  $\angle B = 111^\circ$ , the  $\angle C = 42^\circ$ ; deduce the  $\angle A$ , and verify by measurement.

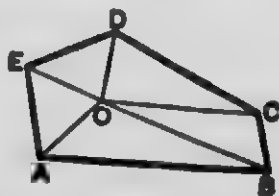
5. One side  $BC$  of a triangle  $ABC$  is produced to  $D$ . If the exterior angle  $ACD$  is  $134^\circ$ , and the angle  $BAC$  is  $42^\circ$ , find each of the remaining interior angles.

6. In the figure of Theorem 16, if the  $\angle ACD = 118^\circ$ , and the  $\angle B = 51^\circ$ , find the  $\angle A$  and  $C$ ; and check your results by measurement.

7. Prove that  $A + B + C = 180^\circ$  by supposing a line drawn through the vertex parallel to the base.

8. If two straight lines are perpendicular to two other straight lines, each to each, the acute angle between the first pair is equal to the acute angle between the second pair.

**COROLLARY 1.** *All the interior angles of any rectilineal figure, together with four right angles, are equal to twice as many right angles as the figure has sides.*



Let  $ABCDE$  be a rectilineal figure of  $n$  sides.

*It is required to prove that*

*all the interior angles  $+ 4$  rt.  $\angle = 2n$  rt.  $\angle$ .*

Take any point  $O$  within the figure, and join  $O$  to each of its vertices.

Then the figure is divided into  $n$  triangles.

And the three  $\angle$  of each  $\triangle$  together  $= 2$  rt.  $\angle$ .

Hence all the  $\angle$  of all the  $\triangle$  together  $= 2n$  rt.  $\angle$ .

But all the  $\angle$  of all the  $\triangle$  make up all the interior angles of the figure together with the angles at  $O$ , which  $= 4$  rt.  $\angle$ .

$\therefore$  all the int.  $\angle$  of the figure  $+ 4$  rt.  $\angle = 2n$  rt.  $\angle$ .

Q.E.D.

**DEFINITION.** A regular polygon is one which has all its sides equal and all its angles equal.

Thus if  $D$  denote the number of degrees in each angle of a regular polygon of  $n$  sides, the above result may be stated thus :

$$nD + 360^\circ = n \cdot 180^\circ.$$

#### EXAMPLE

Find the number of degrees in each angle of a regular

(i) hexagon (6 sides); (ii) octagon (8 sides); (iii) decagon (10 sides).

EXERCISES ON THEOREM 16

(Numerical and Graphical)

1.  $ABC$  is a triangle in which the angles at  $B$  and  $C$  are respectively double and treble of the angle at  $A$ : find the number of degrees in each of these angles.
2. The base of a triangle is produced both ways, and the exterior angles are found to be  $94^\circ$  and  $126^\circ$ ; deduce the vertical angle. Construct such a triangle, and check your result by measurement.
3. The sum of the angles at the base of a triangle is  $162^\circ$ , and their difference is  $60^\circ$ : find all the angles.
4. The angles at the base of a triangle are  $84^\circ$  and  $62^\circ$ ; deduce (i) the vertical angle, (ii) the angle between the bisectors of the base angles. Check your results by construction and measurement.
5. In a triangle  $ABC$ , the angles at  $B$  and  $C$  are  $74^\circ$  and  $62^\circ$ ; if  $AB$  and  $AC$  are produced, deduce the angle between the bisectors of the exterior angles. Check your result graphically.
6. Three angles of a quadrilateral are respectively  $114\frac{1}{2}^\circ$ ,  $50^\circ$ , and  $75\frac{1}{2}^\circ$ ; find the fourth angle.
7. In a quadrilateral  $ABCD$ , the angles at  $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $D$  are respectively equal to  $2A$ ,  $3A$ , and  $4A$ ; find the angles.
8. Four angles of an irregular pentagon (5 sides) are  $40^\circ$ ,  $78^\circ$ ,  $122^\circ$ , and  $135^\circ$ ; find the fifth angle.
9. In any regular polygon of  $n$  sides, each angle contains  $\frac{2(n-2)}{n}$  right angles.
  - (i) Deduce this result from the Enunciation of Corollary 1.
  - (ii) Prove it independently by joining one vertex  $A$  to each of the others (except the two immediately adjacent to  $A$ ), thus dividing the polygon into  $n-2$  triangles.
10. How many sides have the regular polygons each of whose angles is (i)  $108^\circ$ , (ii)  $156^\circ$ ?
11. Shew that the only regular figures which may be fitted together so as to form a plane surface are (i) equilateral triangles, (ii) squares, (iii) regular hexagons.

**COROLLARY 2.** *If the sides of a rectilineal figure, which has no re-entrant angle, are produced in order, then all the exterior angles so formed are together equal to four right angles.*



**1st Proof.** Suppose, as before, that the figure has  $n$  sides. Now at each vertex

the interior  $\angle$  + the exterior  $\angle = 2 \text{ rt. } \angle$ .

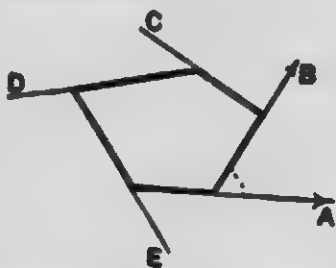
$\therefore$  the sum of the  $n$  int.  $\angle$  + the sum of the  $n$  ext.  $\angle = 2n \text{ rt. } \angle$ .

But by Corollary 1,

the sum of the int.  $\angle + 4 \text{ rt. } \angle = 2n \text{ rt. } \angle$  ;  
 $\therefore$  the sum of the ext.  $\angle = 4 \text{ rt. } \angle$ .

Q.E.D.

**2nd Proof.**



Take any point  $O$ , and suppose  $Oa, Ob, Oc, Od$ , and  $Oe$  are lines parallel to the sides marked  $A, B, C, D, E$  (and drawn from  $O$  in the *sense* in which those sides were produced).

Then the ext.  $\angle$  between the sides  $A$  and  $B = \angle aOb$ .

The other ext.  $\angle =$  the respective  $\angle bOc, cOd, dOe, eOa$ .

$\therefore$  the sum of the ext.  $\angle =$  the sum of the  $\angle$  at  $O$   
 $= 4 \text{ rt. } \angle$ .

EXERCISES

1. If one side of a regular hexagon is produced, shew that the exterior angle is equal to the interior angle of an equilateral triangle.
2. Express in degrees the magnitude of each exterior angle of (i) a regular octagon, (ii) a regular decagon.
3. How many sides has a regular polygon if each exterior angle is (i)  $30^\circ$ , (ii)  $24^\circ$ ?
4. If a straight line meets two parallel straight lines, and the two interior angles on the same side are bisected, shew that the bisectors meet at right angles.
5. If the base of any triangle is produced both ways, shew that the sum of the two exterior angles minus the vertical angle is equal to two right angles.
6. In a triangle  $ABC$  the base angles at  $B$  and  $C$  are bisected by  $BO$  and  $CO$  respectively. Shew that the angle  $BOC = 90^\circ + \frac{A}{2}$ .
7. In the triangle  $ABC$ , the sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$  are produced, and the exterior angles are bisected by  $BO$  and  $CO$ . Shew that the angle  $BOC = 90^\circ - \frac{A}{2}$ .
8. The angle contained by the bisectors of two adjacent angles of a quadrilateral is equal to half the sum of the remaining angles.
9. The straight line joining the middle point of the hypotenuse of a right-angled triangle to the right angle is equal to half the hypotenuse.

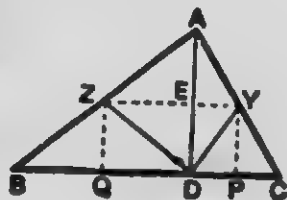
EXPERIMENTAL PROOF OF THEOREM 16

$$[A + B + C = 180^\circ]$$

In the  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AD$  is perp. to  $BC$ , the greatest side.  $AD$  is bisected at right angles by  $ZY$ ; and  $YP$ ,  $ZQ$  are perps. on  $BC$ .

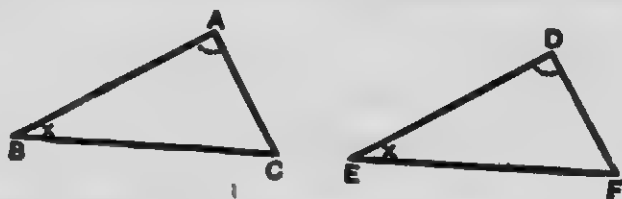
If now the  $\triangle$  is folded about the three dotted lines, the  $\triangle A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  will coincide with the  $\triangle ZDY$ ,  $ZDQ$ ,  $YDP$ ;

$\therefore$  their sum is  $180^\circ$ .



## THEOREM 17. [Euclid I. 26]

*If two triangles have two angles of one equal to two angles of the other, each to each, and any side of the first equal to the corresponding side of the other, the triangles are equal in all respects.*



Let  $ABC, DEF$  be two triangles in which  
the  $\angle A = \text{the } \angle D$ ,  
the  $\angle B = \text{the } \angle E$ ,  
and the side  $BC = \text{the corresponding side } EF$ .

*It is required to prove that the  $\triangle ABC, DEF$  are equal in all respects.*

**Proof.** The sum of the  $\angle A, B, C = 2 \text{ rt. } \angle$  Theor. 16.  
 $= \text{the sum of the } \angle D, E, \text{ and } F$ ;  
and the  $\angle A$  and  $B = \text{the } \angle D$  and  $E$  respectively,  
 $\therefore \text{the } \angle C = \text{the } \angle F$ .

Apply the  $\triangle ABC$  to the  $\triangle DEF$ , so that  $B$  falls on  $E$ ,  
and  $BC$  along  $EF$ .

Then, because  $BC = EF$ ,  $C$  must coincide with  $F$ .

Because the  $\angle B = \text{the } \angle E$ ,  $BA$  must fall along  $ED$ .

And because the  $\angle C = \text{the } \angle F$ ,  $CA$  must fall along  $FD$ .

$\therefore$  the point  $A$ , which falls both on  $ED$  and on  $FD$ , must coincide with  $D$ , the point in which these lines intersect.

$\therefore$  the  $\triangle ABC$  coincides with the  $\triangle DEF$ ,  
and is therefore equal to it in all respects.

So that  $AB = DE$ , and  $AC = DF$ ;  
and the  $\triangle ABC = \text{the } \triangle DEF$  in area. Q.E.D.



## EXERCISES

## ON THE IDENTICAL EQUALITY OF TRIANGLES

1. Shew that the perpendiculars drawn from the extremities of the base of an isosceles triangle to the opposite sides are equal.
2. *Any point on the bisector of an angle is equidistant from the arms of the angle.*
3. Through  $O$ , the middle point of a straight line  $AB$ , any straight line is drawn, and perpendiculars  $AX$  and  $BY$  are dropped upon it from  $A$  and  $B$ : shew that  $AX$  is equal to  $BY$ .
4. If the bisector of the vertical angle of a triangle is at right angles to the base, the triangle is isosceles.
5. If in a triangle the perpendicular from the vertex on the base bisects the base, then the triangle is isosceles.
6. If the bisector of the vertical angle of a triangle also bisects the base, the triangle is isosceles.  
[Produce the bisector, and complete the construction after the manner of Theorem 8.]
7. The middle point of any straight line which meets two parallel straight lines, and is terminated by them, is equidistant from the parallels.
8. A straight line drawn between two parallels, and terminated by them, is bisected; shew that any other straight line passing through the middle point and terminated by the parallels is also bisected at that point.
9. If through a point equidistant from two parallel straight lines, two straight lines are drawn cutting the parallels, the portions of the latter thus intercepted are equal.
10. *A surveyor wishes to ascertain the breadth of a river which he cannot cross. Standing at a point  $A$  near the bank, he notes an object  $B$  immediately opposite on the other bank. He lays down a line  $AC$  of any length at right angles to  $AB$ , fixing a mark at  $O$ , the middle point of  $AC$ . From  $C$  he walks along a line perpendicular to  $AC$  until he reaches a point  $D$  from which  $O$  and  $B$  are seen in the same direction. He now measures  $CD$ : prove that the result gives him the width of the river.*

## ON THE IDENTICAL EQUALITY OF TRIANGLES

Three cases of the congruence of triangles have been dealt with in Theorems 4, 7, 17, the results of which are:

Two triangles are equal in all respects when the following three parts in each are severally equal :

1. *Two sides, and the included angle.* Theorem 4.

2. *The three sides.* Theorem 7.

3. *Two angles and one side, the side given in one triangle*  
CORRESPONDING *to that given in the other.* Theorem 17.

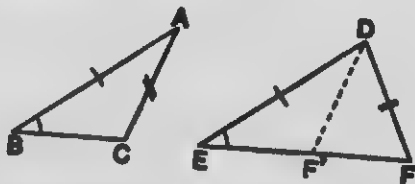
Two triangles are not, however, necessarily equal in all respects when *any three parts* of one are equal to the corresponding parts of the other.

For example :

(i) When the *three angles* of one are equal to the *three angles* of the other, each to each, the adjoining diagram shews that the triangles need not be equal in all respects.



(ii) When *two sides and one angle* in one are equal to *two sides and one angle* of the other, the given angles being *opposite* to equal sides, the diagram below shews that the triangles need not be equal in all respects.

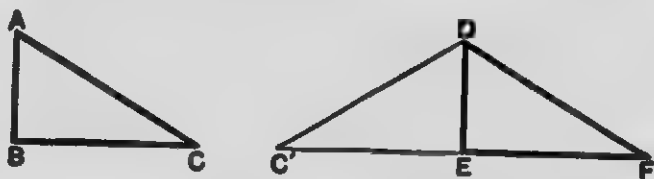


For if  $AB = DE$ , and  $AC = DF$ , and the  $\angle ABC =$  the  $\angle DEF$ , it will be seen that the shorter of the given sides in the triangle  $DEF$  may lie in either of the positions  $DF$  or  $DF'$ .

NOTE. See also Theorem 18, p. 51, and Problem 9, p. 85.

## THEOREM 18

*Two right-angled triangles which have their hypotenuses equal, and one side of one equal to one side of the other, are equal in all respects.*



Let  $ABC, DEF$  be two right-angled triangles, in which  
the  $\angle ABC, DEF$  are right angles,  
the hypotenuse  $AC =$  the hypotenuse  $DF$ ,  
and  $AB = DE$ .

*It is required to prove that the  $\triangle ABC, DEF$  are equal in all respects.*

**Proof.** Apply the  $\triangle ABC$  to the  $\triangle DEF$ , so that  $AB$  falls on the equal line  $DE$ , and  $C$  on the side of  $DE$  opposite to  $F$ .

Let  $C'$  be the point on which  $C$  falls.

Then  $DEC'$  represents the  $\triangle ABC$  in its new position.

Since each of the  $\angle DEF, DEC'$  is a right angle,

$\therefore EF$  and  $EC'$  are in one straight line.

And in the  $\triangle C'DF$ , because  $DF = DC'$  (i.e.  $AC$ ),

$\therefore$  the  $\angle DFC' =$  the  $\angle DC'F$ . *Theor. 5.*

Hence in the  $\triangle DEF, DEC'$ ,

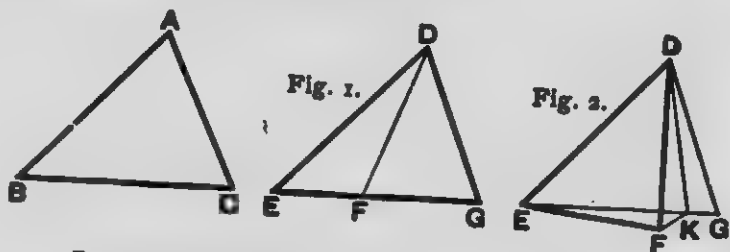
because  $\begin{cases} \text{the } \angle DEF = \text{the } \angle DEC', \text{ being right angles;} \\ \text{the } \angle DFE = \text{the } \angle DC'E, \\ \text{and the side } DE \text{ is common.} \end{cases}$  *Proved.*

$\therefore$  the  $\triangle DEF, DEC'$  are equal in all respects; *Theor. 17.*  
that is, the  $\triangle DEF, ABC$  are equal in all respects.

**Q.E.D.**

## \* THEOREM 19. [Euclid I. 24]

If two triangles have two sides of the one equal to two sides of the other, each to each, but the angle included by the two sides of one greater than the angle included by the corresponding sides of the other; then the base of that which has the greater angle is greater than the base of the other.



Let  $ABC$ ,  $DEF$  be two triangles, in which  
 $BA = ED$ , and  $AC = DF$ ,  
 but the  $\angle BAC$  is greater than the  $\angle EDF$ .  
 It is required to prove that  $BC$  is greater than  $EF$ .

**Proof.** Apply the  $\triangle ABC$  to the  $\triangle DEF$ , so that  $A$  falls on  $D$ , and  $AB$  along  $DE$ .

Then because  $AB = DE$ ,  $B$  must coincide with  $E$ .

Let  $DG$ ,  $GE$  represent  $AC$ ,  $CB$  in their new position.

Then if  $EG$  passes through  $F$  (Fig. 1),  $EG$  is greater than  $EF$ ; that is,  $BC$  is greater than  $EF$ .

But if  $EG$  does not pass through  $F$  (Fig. 2), suppose that  $DK$  bisects the  $\angle FDG$ , and meets  $EG$  in  $K$ . Join  $FK$ .

Then in the  $\triangle FDK$ ,  $GDK$ ,  
 because  $\begin{cases} FD = GD, \text{ and } DK \text{ is common to both,} \\ \text{and the included } \angle FDK = \text{the included } \angle GDK; \end{cases}$   
 $\therefore FK = GK$ . Theor. 4.

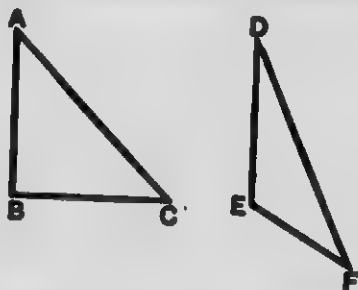
Now the two sides  $EK$ ,  $KF$  are greater than  $EF$ ;

that is,  $EK$ ,  $KG$  are greater than  $EF$ .

$\therefore EG$  (or  $BC$ ) is greater than  $EF$ .

Q.E.D.

*Conversely, if two triangles have two sides of the one equal to two sides of the other, each to each, but the base of one greater than the base of the other; then the angle contained by the sides of that which has the greater base is greater than the angle contained by the corresponding sides of the other.*



Let  $ABC, DEF$  be two triangles in which

$$BA = ED,$$

$$\text{and } AC = DF,$$

but the base  $BC$  is greater than the base  $EF$ .

*It is required to prove that the  $\angle BAC$  is greater than the  $\angle EDF$ .*

**Proof.** If the  $\angle BAC$  is not greater than the  $\angle EDF$ , it must be either equal to, or less than the  $\angle EDF$ .

Now if the  $\angle BAC$  were equal to the  $\angle EDF$ , then the base  $BC$  would be equal to the base  $EF$ ; *Theor. 4.* but, by hypothesis,  $BC$  is not equal to  $EF$ .

Again, if the  $\angle BAC$  were less than the  $\angle EDF$ , then the base  $BC$  would be less than the base  $EF$ ; *Theor. 19.* but, by hypothesis,  $BC$  is not less than  $EF$ .

That is, the  $\angle BAC$  is neither equal to, nor less than the  $\angle EDF$ ;

$\therefore$  the  $\angle BAC$  is greater than the  $\angle EDF$ .

Q.E.D.

\* Theorems marked with an asterisk may be omitted or postponed at the discretion of the teacher.

## REVISION LESSON ON TRIANGLES

1. State the properties of a triangle relating to
  - (i) the sum of its interior angles;
  - (ii) the sum of its exterior angles.

What property corresponds to (i) in a polygon of  $n$  sides? With what other figures does a triangle share the property (ii)?

2. Classify triangles with regard to their angles. Enunciate any Theorem or Corollary assumed in the classification.

3. Enunciate two Theorems in which from data relating to the sides a conclusion is drawn relating to the angles.

In the triangle  $ABC$ , if  $a = 3.6$  cm.,  $b = 2.8$  cm.,  $c = 3.6$  cm., arrange the angles in order of their sizes (before measurement); and prove that the triangle is acute-angled.

4. Enunciate two Theorems in which from data relating to the angles a conclusion is drawn relating to the sides.

In the triangle  $ABC$ , if

- (i)  $A = 48^\circ$  and  $B = 51^\circ$ , find the third angle, and name the greatest side.
- (ii)  $A = B = 62\frac{1}{2}^\circ$ , find the third angle, and arrange the sides in order of their lengths.

5. From which of the conditions given below may we conclude that the triangles  $ABC$ ,  $A'B'C'$  are identically equal? Point out where ambiguity arises; and draw the triangle  $ABC$  in each case.

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|---|---|---|
| (i) $\begin{cases} A = A' = 71^\circ. \\ B = B' = 46^\circ. \\ a = a' = 3.7 \text{ cm.} \end{cases}$              | (ii) $\begin{cases} a = a' = 4.2 \text{ cm.} \\ b = b' = 2.4 \text{ cm.} \\ C = C' = 81^\circ. \end{cases}$ | (iii) $\begin{cases} A = A' = 36^\circ. \\ B = B' = 121^\circ. \\ C = C' = 23^\circ. \end{cases}$       |
| (iv) $\begin{cases} a = a' = 3.0 \text{ cm.} \\ b = b' = 5.2 \text{ cm.} \\ c = c' = 4.5 \text{ cm.} \end{cases}$ | (v) $\begin{cases} B = B' = 53^\circ. \\ b = b' = 4.3 \text{ cm.} \\ c = c' = 5.0 \text{ cm.} \end{cases}$  | (vi) $\begin{cases} C = C' = 90^\circ. \\ c = c' = 5 \text{ cm.} \\ a = a' = 3 \text{ cm.} \end{cases}$ |

6. Summarise the results of the last question by stating generally under what conditions two triangles

- (i) are necessarily congruent;
- (ii) may or may not be congruent.

7. If two triangles have their angles equal, each to each, the triangles are not necessarily equal in all respects, because the three data are not independent. Carefully explain this statement.

*(Miscellaneous Examples)*

8. (i) *The perpendicular is the shortest line that can be drawn to a given straight line from a given point.*

(ii) *Obliques which make equal angles with the perpendicular are equal.*

(iii) *Of two obliques the less is that which makes the smaller angle with the perpendicular.*

9. *If two triangles have two sides of the one equal to two sides of the other, each to each, and have likewise the angles opposite to one pair of equal sides equal, then the angles opposite to the other pair of equal sides are either equal or supplementary, and in the former case the triangles are equal in all respects.*

10. *PQ is a perpendicular (4 cm. in length) to a straight line XY. Draw through P a series of obliques making with PQ the angles  $15^\circ$ ,  $30^\circ$ ,  $45^\circ$ ,  $60^\circ$ ,  $75^\circ$ . Measure the lengths of these obliques, and tabulate the results.*

11. *PAB is a triangle in which AB and AP have constant lengths 4 cm. and 3 cm. If AB is fixed, and AP rotates about A, trace the changes in PB, as the angle A increases from  $0^\circ$  to  $180^\circ$ .*

*Answer this question by drawing a series of figures, increasing A by increments of  $30^\circ$ . Measure PB in each case, and tabulate the results.*

12. *From B, the foot of a flagstaff AB, a horizontal line is drawn, passing two points C and D which are 27 feet apart. The angles BCA and BDA are  $65^\circ$  and  $40^\circ$  respectively. Represent this on a diagram (scale 1 cm. to 10 ft.), and find by measurement the approximate height of the flagstaff.*

13. *From P, the top of a lighthouse PQ, two boats A and B are seen at anchor in a line due south of the lighthouse. It is known that  $PQ = 126$  ft.,  $\angle PAQ = 57^\circ$ ,  $\angle PBQ = 33^\circ$ ; hence draw a plan in which 1" represents 100 ft., and find by measurement the distance between A and B to the nearest foot.*

14. *From a lighthouse L two ships A and B, which are 600 yards apart, are observed in directions S.W. and  $15^\circ$  East of South respectively. At the same time B is observed from A in a S.E. direction. Draw a plan (scale 1" to 200 yds.), and find by measurement the distance of the lighthouse from each ship.*

## PARALLELOGRAMS

## DEFINITIONS

1. A quadrilateral is a plane figure bounded by *four* straight lines.

The straight line which joins opposite angular points in a quadrilateral is called a *diagonal*.



2. A parallelogram is a quadrilateral whose opposite sides are *parallel*.

[It will be proved hereafter that the opposite sides of a parallelogram are equal, and that its opposite angles are equal.]



3. A rectangle is a parallelogram which has one of its angles a right angle.

[It will be proved hereafter that *all* the angles of a rectangle are right angles. See page 59.]



4. A square is a rectangle which has two adjacent sides equal.

[It will be proved that *all* the sides of a square are equal and all its angles right angles. See page 59.]



5. A rhombus is a quadrilateral which has all its sides equal, but its angles are not right angles.



6. A trapezium is a quadrilateral which has *one* pair of parallel sides.





**THEOREM 20.** [Euclid I. 33]

*The straight lines which join the extremities of two equal and parallel straight lines towards the same parts are themselves equal and parallel.*



Let  $AB$  and  $CD$  be equal and parallel straight lines ; and let them be joined towards the same parts by the straight lines  $AC$  and  $BD$ .

*It is required to prove that  $AC$  and  $BD$  are equal and parallel.*

Join  $BC$ .

**Proof.** Then because  $AB$  and  $CD$  are parallel, and  $BC$  meets them,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle ABC =$  the alternate  $\angle DCB$ .

Now in the  $\triangle ABC, DCB$ ,

because  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} AB = DC, \\ BC \text{ is common to both ;} \\ \text{and the } \angle ABC = \text{the } \angle DCB ; \end{array} \right. \quad \text{Proved.}$

$\therefore$  the triangles are equal in all respects ;

so that  $AC = DB, \dots\dots\dots (i)$

and the  $\angle ACB = \angle DBC$ .

But these are alternate angles ;

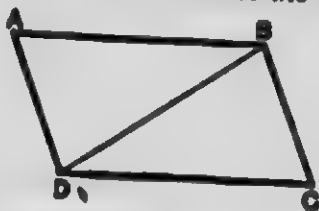
$\therefore AC$  and  $BD$  are parallel.  $\dots\dots\dots (ii)$

That is,  $AC$  and  $BD$  are both equal and parallel.

**Q.E.D.**

## THEOREM 21. [Euclid I. 34]

*The opposite sides and angles of a parallelogram are equal to one another, and each diagonal bisects the parallelogram.*



Let  $ABCD$  be a parallelogram, of which  $BD$  is a diagonal.  
It is required to prove that

- (i)  $AB = CD$ , and  $AD = CB$ ,
- (ii) the  $\angle BAD =$  the  $\angle DCB$ ,
- (iii) the  $\angle ADC =$  the  $\angle CBA$ ,
- (iv) the  $\triangle ABD =$  the  $\triangle CDB$  in area.

**Proof.** Because  $AB$  and  $DC$  are parallel, and  $BD$  meets them,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle ABD =$  the alternate  $\angle CDB$ .

Because  $AD$  and  $BC$  are parallel, and  $BD$  meets them,  
 $\therefore$  the  $\angle ADB =$  the alternate  $\angle CBD$ .

Hence in the  $\triangle ABD, CDB$ ,

because  $\begin{cases} \text{the } \angle ABD = \text{the } \angle CDB, \\ \text{the } \angle ADB = \text{the } \angle CBD, \\ \text{and } BD \text{ is common to both;} \end{cases}$

*Proved.*

$\therefore$  the triangles are equal in all respects ; *Theor. 17.*  
so that  $AB = CD$ , and  $AD = CB$  ; ..... (i)  
and the  $\angle BAD =$  the  $\angle DCB$  ; ..... (ii)  
and the  $\triangle ABD =$  the  $\triangle CDB$  in area. .... (iv)

And because the  $\angle ADB =$  the  $\angle CBD$ ,  
and the  $\angle CDB =$  the  $\angle ABD$ ,  
 $\therefore$  the whole  $\angle ADC =$  the whole  $\angle CBA$ . . (iii)

**Q.E.D.**

## PARALLELS AND PARALLELOGRAMS

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**COROLLARY 1.** *If one angle of a parallelogram is a right angle, all its angles are right angles.*

In other words:

*All the angles of a rectangle are right angles.*

For the sum of two consecutive  $\Delta = 2$  rt.  $\Delta$ ; (*Theor. 14.*)  
 $\therefore$ , if one of these is a rt. angle, the other must be a rt. angle.

And the opposite angles of the par<sup>m</sup> are equal;  
 $\therefore$  all the angles are right angles.

**COROLLARY 2.** *All the sides of a square are equal; and all its angles are right angles.*

**COROLLARY 3.** *The diagonals of a parallelogram bisect one another.*

Let the diagonals  $AC$ ,  $BD$  of the par<sup>m</sup>  $ABCD$  intersect at  $O$ .

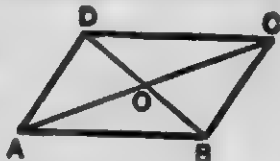
To prove  $AO = OC$ , and  $BO = OD$ .

In the  $\Delta AOB$ ,  $COD$ ,

because  $\begin{cases} \text{the } \angle OAB = \text{the alt. } \angle OCD, \\ \text{the } \angle AOB = \text{vert. opp. } \angle COD, \\ \text{and } AB = \text{the opp. side } CD; \end{cases}$

$\therefore OA = OC$ ; and  $OB = OD$ .

*Theor. 17.*



### EXERCISES

1. *If the opposite sides of a quadrilateral are equal, the figure is a parallelogram.*
2. *If the opposite angles of a quadrilateral are equal, the figure is a parallelogram.*
3. *If the diagonals of a quadrilateral bisect each other, the figure is a parallelogram.*
4. *The diagonals of a rhombus bisect one another at right angles.*
5. *If the diagonals of a parallelogram are equal, all its angles are right angles.*
6. *In a parallelogram which is not rectangular the diagonals are unequal.*

## EXERCISES ON PARALLELS AND PARALLELOGRAMS

*(Symmetry and Superposition)*

1. Shew that by folding a rhombus about one of its diagonals the triangles on opposite sides of the crease may be made to coincide.

That is to say, prove that a rhombus is *symmetrical* about either diagonal.

2. Prove that the diagonals of a square are *axes of symmetry*. Name two other lines about which a square is symmetrical.

3. The diagonals of a rectangle divide the figure into two congruent triangles: is the diagonal, therefore, an axis of symmetry? About what two lines is a rectangle symmetrical?

4. Is there any axis about which an oblique parallelogram is symmetrical? Give reasons for your answer.

5. In a quadrilateral  $ABCD$ ,  $AB = AD$  and  $CB = CD$ ; but the sides are not all equal. Which of the diagonals (if either) is an axis of symmetry?

6. Prove by the method of superposition that

(i) *Two parallelograms are identically equal if two adjacent sides of one are equal to two adjacent sides of the other, each to each, and one angle of one equal to one angle of the other.*

(ii) *Two rectangles are equal if two adjacent sides of one are equal to two adjacent sides of the other, each to each.*

7. Two quadrilaterals  $ABCD$ ,  $EFGH$  have the sides  $AB$ ,  $BC$ ,  $CD$ ,  $DA$  equal respectively to the sides  $EF$ ,  $FG$ ,  $GH$ ,  $HE$ , and have also the angle  $BAD$  equal to the angle  $FEH$ . Shew that the figures may be made to coincide with one another.

*(Miscellaneous Theoretical Examples)*

8. Any straight line drawn through the middle point of a diagonal of a parallelogram and terminated by a pair of opposite sides, is bisected at that point.

9. In a parallelogram the perpendiculars drawn from one pair of opposite angles to the diagonal which joins the other pair are equal.

10. If  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram, and  $X$ ,  $Y$  respectively the middle points of the sides  $AD$ ,  $BC$ ; shew that the figure  $AYCX$  is a parallelogram.

11.  $ABC$  and  $DEF$  are two triangles such that  $AB, BC$  are respectively equal to and parallel to  $DE, EF$ ; shew that  $AC$  is equal and parallel to  $DF$ .

12.  $ABCD$  is a quadrilateral in which  $AB$  is parallel to  $DC$ , and  $AD$  equal but not parallel to  $BC$ ; shew that

- (i) the  $\angle A + \text{the } \angle C = 180^\circ = \text{the } \angle B + \text{the } \angle D$ ;
- (ii) the diagonal  $AC = \text{the diagonal } BD$ ;
- (iii) the quadrilateral is *symmetrical* about the straight line joining the middle points of  $AB$  and  $DC$ .

13.  $AP, BQ$  are straight rods of equal length, turning at equal rates (both clockwise) about two fixed pivots  $A$  and  $B$  respectively. If the rods start parallel but pointing in opposite senses, shew that

- (i) they will always be parallel;
- (ii) the line joining  $PQ$  will always pass through a fixed point.

*(Miscellaneous Numerical and Graphical Examples)*

14. A yacht sailing due East changes her course successively by  $63^\circ$ , by  $78^\circ$ , by  $119^\circ$ , and by  $64^\circ$ , with a view to sailing round an island. What further change must be made to set her once more on an Easterly course?

15. If the sum of the interior angles of a rectilineal figure is equal to the sum of the exterior angles, how many sides has it, and why?

16. Draw, using your protractor, any five-sided figure  $ABCDE$ , in which

$$\angle B = 110^\circ, \quad \angle C = 115^\circ, \quad \angle D = 93^\circ, \quad \angle E = 152^\circ.$$

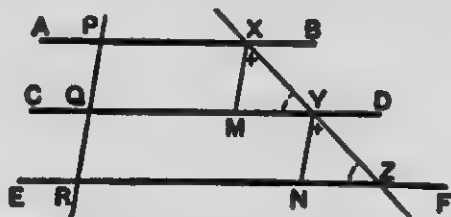
Verify by a construction with ruler and compasses that  $AE$  is parallel to  $BC$ , and account theoretically for this fact.

17.  $A$  and  $B$  are two fixed points, and two straight lines  $AP, BQ$ , unlimited towards  $P$  and  $Q$ , are pivoted at  $A$  and  $B$ .  $AP$ , starting from the direction  $AB$ , turns about  $A$  clockwise at the uniform rate of  $7\frac{1}{2}^\circ$  a second; and  $BQ$ , starting simultaneously from the direction  $BA$ , turns about  $B$  counter-clockwise at the rate of  $3\frac{1}{2}^\circ$  a second.

- (i) In how many seconds will  $AP$  and  $BQ$  be parallel?
- (ii) Find graphically and by calculation the angle between  $AP$  and  $BQ$  twelve seconds from the start.
- (iii) At what rate does this angle decrease?

## THEOREM 22

*If there are three or more parallel straight lines, and the intercepts made by them on any transversal are equal, then the corresponding intercepts on any other transversal are also equal.*



Let the parallels  $AB$ ,  $CD$ ,  $EF$  cut off equal intercepts  $PQ$ ,  $QR$  from the transversal  $PQR$ ; and let  $XY$ ,  $YZ$  be the corresponding intercepts cut off from any other transversal  $XYZ$ .

*It is required to prove that  $XY = YZ$ .*

Through  $X$  and  $Y$  let  $XM$  and  $YN$  be drawn parallel to  $PR$ .

**Proof.** Since  $CD$  and  $EF$  are parallel, and  $XZ$  meets them,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle XYM =$  the corresponding  $\angle YZN$ .

And since  $XM$ ,  $YN$  are parallel, each being parallel to  $PR$ ,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle MXY =$  the corresponding  $\angle NYZ$ .

Now the figures  $PM$ ,  $QN$  are parallelograms,

$\therefore XM =$  the opp. side  $PQ$ , and  $YN =$  the opp. side  $QR$ ;

and since by hypothesis  $PQ = QR$ ,

$\therefore XM = YN$ .

Then in the  $\triangle XMY$ ,  $YNZ$ ,

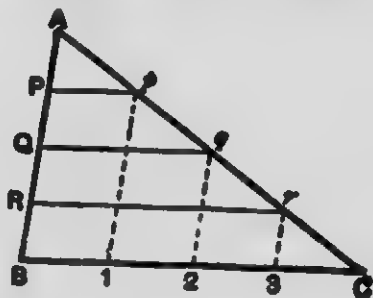
because  $\begin{cases} \text{the } \angle XYM = \text{the } \angle YZN, \\ \text{the } \angle MXY = \text{the } \angle NYZ, \\ \text{and } XM = YN; \end{cases}$

$\therefore$  the triangles are identically equal; *Theor. 17.*

$\therefore XY = YZ$ .

**Q.E.D.**

**COROLLARY.** In a triangle  $ABC$ , if a set of lines  $Pp$ ,  $Qq$ ,  $Rr$ ,  $\dots$ , drawn parallel to the base, divide one side  $AB$  into equal parts, they also divide the other side  $AC$  into equal parts.



**NOTE.** The lengths of the parallels  $Pp$ ,  $Qq$ ,  $Rr$ ,  $\dots$ , may thus be expressed in terms of the base  $BC$ .

Through  $p$ ,  $q$ , and  $r$  let  $p1$ ,  $q2$ ,  $r3$  be drawn par<sup>l</sup> to  $AB$ .

Then, by Theorem 22, these par<sup>ls</sup> divide  $BC$  into four equal parts, of which  $Pp$  evidently contains one,  $Qq$  two, and  $Rr$  three.

In other words,

$$Pp = \frac{1}{4} \cdot BC; \quad Qq = \frac{2}{4} \cdot BC; \quad Rr = \frac{3}{4} \cdot BC.$$

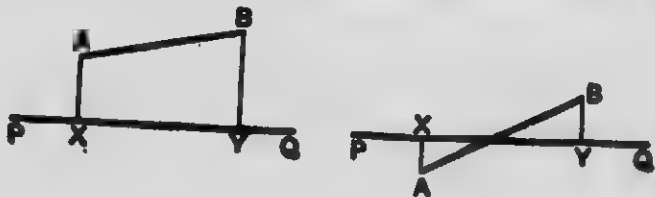
Similarly if the given par<sup>ls</sup> divide  $AB$  into  $n$  equal parts,

$$Pp = \frac{1}{n} \cdot BC, \quad Qq = \frac{2}{n} \cdot BC, \quad Rr = \frac{3}{n} \cdot BC; \text{ and so on.}$$

\* \* Problem 7, p. 78, should now be worked.

### DEFINITION

If from the extremities of a straight line  $AB$  perpendiculars  $AX$ ,  $BY$  are drawn to a straight line  $PQ$  of indefinite length, then  $XY$  is said to be the **orthogonal projection** of  $AB$  on  $PQ$ .



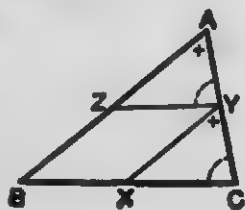
## EXERCISES ON PARALLELS AND PARALLELOGRAMS

1. The straight line drawn through the middle point of a side of a triangle, parallel to the base, bisects the remaining side.

[This is an important particular case of Theorem 22.]

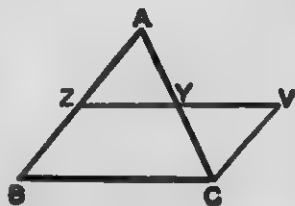
In the  $\triangle ABC$ , if  $Z$  is the middle point of  $AB$ , and  $ZY$  is drawn par<sup>l</sup> to  $BC$ , we have to prove that  $AY = YC$ .

Draw  $YX$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $AB$ , and then prove the  $\triangle ZAY, XYC$  congruent.]



2. The straight line which joins the middle points of two sides of a triangle is parallel to the third side.

[In the  $\triangle ABC$ , if  $Z, Y$  are the middle points of  $AB, AC$ , we have to prove  $ZY$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $BC$ .



Produce  $ZY$  to  $V$ , making  $YV$  equal to  $ZY$ , and join  $CV$ . Prove the  $\triangle AYZ, CYV$  congruent.]

3. The straight line which joins the middle points of two sides of a triangle is equal to half the third side.

4. Shew that the three straight lines which join the middle points of the sides of a triangle, divide it into four congruent triangles.

5. Any straight line drawn from the vertex of a triangle to the base is bisected by the line which joins the middle points of the other sides.

6.  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram, and  $X, Y$  are the middle points of the opposite sides  $AD, BC$ ; shew that  $BX$  and  $DY$  trisect  $AC$ .

7. If the middle points of adjacent sides of any quadrilateral are joined, the figure thus formed is a parallelogram.

8. Shew that the straight lines which join the middle points of opposite sides of a quadrilateral, bisect one another.

9. From two points  $A$  and  $B$ , and from  $O$  the mid-point between them, perpendiculars  $AP, BQ, OX$  are drawn to a straight line  $CD$ . If  $AP, BQ$  measure respectively 4.2 cm. and 5.8 cm., deduce the length of  $OX$ , and verify your result by measurement.

Shew that  $OX = \frac{1}{2}(AP + BQ)$  or  $\frac{1}{2}(AP - BQ)$ , according as  $A$  and  $B$  are on the same side, or on opposite sides of  $CD$ .



10. When three parallel lines cut off equal intercepts from two transversals, shew that of the three parallel lengths between the two transversals the middle one is the **Arithmetic Mean** of the other two.

11. The parallel sides of a trapezium are  $a$  centimetres and  $b$  centimetres in length. Prove that the line joining the middle points of the oblique sides is parallel to the parallel sides, and that its length is  $\frac{1}{2}(a + b)$  centimetres.

12.  $OX$  and  $OY$  are two straight lines, and along  $OX$  five points 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 are marked at equal distances. Through these points parallels are drawn in any direction to meet  $OY$ . Measure the lengths of these parallels: take their average, and compare it with the length of the *third* parallel. Prove geometrically that the 3rd parallel is the mean of all five.

State the corresponding theorem for any odd number  $(2n + 1)$  of parallels so drawn.

13. From the angular points of a parallelogram perpendiculars are drawn to any straight line which is outside the parallelogram: shew that the sum of the perpendiculars drawn from one pair of opposite angular points is equal to the sum of those drawn from the other pair.

[Draw the diagonals, and from their point of intersection suppose a perpendicular drawn to the given straight line.]

14. The sum of the perpendiculars drawn from any point in the base of an isosceles triangle to the equal sides is equal to the perpendicular drawn from either extremity of the base to the opposite side.

[It follows that the sum of the distances of *any* point in the base of an isosceles triangle from the equal sides is **constant**, that is, the same whatever point in the base is taken.]

How would this property be modified if the given point were taken in the base *produced*?

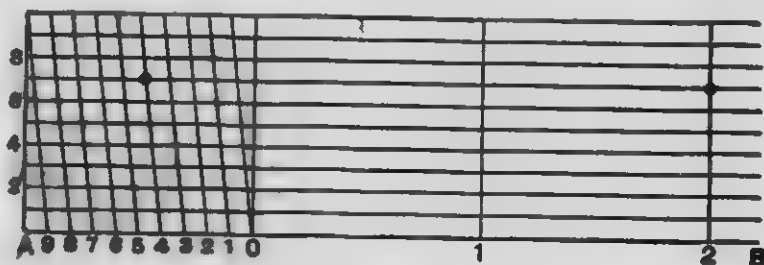
15. The sum of the perpendiculars drawn from any point within an equilateral triangle to the three sides is equal to the perpendicular drawn from any one of the angular points to the opposite side, and is therefore constant.

16. Equal and parallel lines have equal projections on any other straight line.

## DIAGONAL SCALES

Diagonal scales form an important application of Theorem 22. We shall illustrate their construction and use by describing a *Decimal Diagonal Scale to shew Inches, Tenths and Hundredths*.

A straight line  $AB$  is divided (from  $A$ ) into inches, and the points of division marked  $0, 1, 2, \dots$ . The primary division  $0A$  is subdivided into *tenths*, these secondary divisions being numbered (from  $0$ )  $1, 2, 3, \dots 9$ . We may now read on  $AB$  *inches and tenths* of an inch.



In order to read *hundredths*, ten lines are taken at any equal intervals parallel to  $AB$ ; and perpendiculars are drawn through  $0, 1, 2, \dots$ .

The primary (or inch) division corresponding to  $0A$  on the tenth parallel is now subdivided into *ten* equal parts; and diagonal lines are drawn, as in the diagram, joining  $0$  to the *first* point of subdivision on the 10<sup>th</sup> parallel,  
 "  $1$  to the *second* " " " "  
 "  $2$  to the *third* " " " " ;  
 and so on.

The scale is now complete, and its use is shewn in the following example.

*Example.* To take from the scale a length of  $2.47$  inches.

(i) Place one point of the dividers at  $2$  in  $AB$ , and extend them

till the other point reaches 4 in the subdivided inch 0 A. We have now 2.4 inches in the dividers.

(ii) To get the remaining 7 *hundredths*, move the right-hand point up the perpendicular through 2 till it reaches the 7<sup>th</sup> parallel. Then extend the dividers till the left point reaches the diagonal 4 also on the 7<sup>th</sup> parallel. We have now 2.47 inches in the dividers.

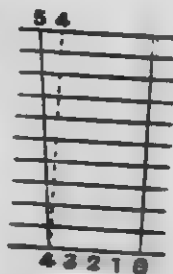
## REASON FOR THE ABOVE PROCESS

The first step needs no explanation. The reason of the second is found in the Corollary of Theorem 22.

Joining the point 4 to the corresponding point on the tenth parallel, we have a triangle 4,4,5, of which one side 4,4 is divided into ten equal parts by lines parallel to 4,5.

Therefore the lengths of the parallels between 4,4, and the diagonal 4,5 are  $\frac{1}{10}$ ,  $\frac{2}{10}$ ,  $\frac{3}{10}$ , ... of the base, which is .1 inch.

Hence these lengths are .01, .02, .03, ... of 1 inch.



Thus, by means of the scale, the length of a straight line may be measured to the nearest hundredth of an inch.

Again, if one inch-division on the scale is taken to represent 10 feet, then 2.47 inches on the scale will represent 24.7 feet. And if one inch-division on the scale represents 100 links, then 2.47 inches will represent 247 links. Thus a diagonal scale is of service in preparing plans of enclosures, buildings, or field-works, where it is necessary that every dimension of the actual object must be represented by a line of proportional length on the plan.

## NOTE

The subdivision of a diagonal scale need not be *decimal*.

For instance we might construct a diagonal scale to read centimetres, millimetres, and *quarters* of a millimetre; in which case we should take *four* parallels to the line AB.

## EXERCISES ON LINEAR MEASUREMENTS

1. Draw straight lines whose lengths are 1.25 inches, 2.72 inches, 3.08 inches.

2. Draw a line 2.68 inches long, and measure its length in centimetres and the nearest millimetre.

3. Draw a line 5.7 cm. in length, and measure it in inches (to the nearest hundredth). Check your result by calculation, given that 1 cm. = 0.3937 inch.

4. Find by measurement the equivalent of 3.15 inches in centimetres and millimetres. Hence calculate (correct to two decimal places) the value of 1 cm. in inches.

5. Draw lines 2.9 cm. and 6.2 cm. in length, and measure them in inches. Use each equivalent, to find the value of 1 inch in centimetres and millimetres, and take the average of your results.

6. A distance of 100 miles is represented on a map by 1 inch. Draw lines to represent distances of 336 miles and 408 miles.

7. If 1 inch on a map represents 1 kilometre, draw lines to represent 850 metres, 2980 metres, and 1010 metres.

8. A plan is drawn to the scale of 1 inch to 100 links. Measure in centimetres and millimetres a line representing 417 links.

9. Find to the nearest hundredth of an inch the length of a line which will represent 42.500 kilometres in a map drawn to the scale of 1 centimetre to 5 kilometres.

10. The distance from London to Oxford (in a direct line) is 55 miles. If this distance is represented on a map by 2.75 inches, to what scale is the map drawn? That is, how many miles will be represented by 1 inch? How many kilometres by 1 centimetre?

[1 cm. = 0.3937 inch; 1 km. =  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile, nearly.]

11. On a map of France drawn to the scale 1 inch to 35 miles, the distance from Paris to Calais is represented by 4.2 inches. Find the distance accurately in miles, and approximately in kilometres, and express the scale in metric measure. [1 km. =  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile, nearly.]

12. The distance from Exeter to Plymouth is  $37\frac{1}{2}$  miles, and appears on a certain map to be  $2\frac{1}{2}$ "; and the distance from Lincoln to York is 88 km., and appears on another map to be 7 cm. Compare the scales of these maps in miles to the inch.

13. Draw a diagonal scale, 2 centimetres to represent 1 yard, shewing yards, feet, and inches.

## PRACTICAL GEOMETRY

## PROBLEMS

The following problems are to be solved with ruler and compasses only. No step requires the actual measurement of any line or angle ; that is to say, the *constructions* are to be made without using either a graduated scale of length, or a protractor.

The problems are not merely to be studied as propositions ; but the construction in every case is to be actually performed by the learner, great care being given to accuracy of drawing.

Each problem is followed by a *theoretical* proof ; but the *results* of the work should always be verified by measurement, as a test of correct drawing. Accurate measurement is also required in applications of the problems.

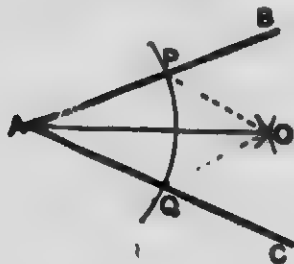
In the diagrams of the problems lines which are inserted only for purposes of *proof* are dotted, to distinguish them from lines necessary to the construction.

For practical applications of the problems the student should be provided with the following instruments :

1. A flat ruler, one edge being graduated in centimetres and millimetres, and the other in inches and tenths.
2. Two set squares ; one with angles of  $45^\circ$ , and the other with angles of  $60^\circ$  and  $30^\circ$ .
3. A pair of pencil compasses.
4. A pair of dividers, preferably with screw adjustment.
5. A semi-circular protractor.

## PROBLEM 1

*To bisect a given angle.*



Let  $BAC$  be the given angle to be bisected.

**Construction.** With centre  $A$ , and any radius, draw an arc of a circle cutting  $AB$ ,  $AC$  at  $P$  and  $Q$ .

With centres  $P$  and  $Q$ , and radius  $PQ$  draw two arcs cutting at  $O$ .

Join  $AO$ .

Then the  $\angle BAC$  is bisected by  $AO$ .

**Proof.**

Join  $PO$ ,  $QO$ .

In the  $\triangle APO$ ,  $AQO$ ,

because  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} AP = AQ, \text{ being radii of a circle,} \\ PO = QO, \text{ " " equal circles,} \\ \text{and } AO \text{ is common;} \end{array} \right.$

$\therefore$  the triangles are equal in all respects ; *Theor. 7.*

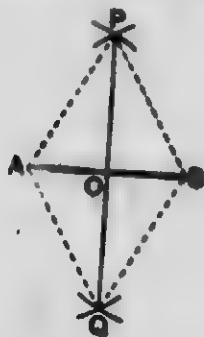
so that the  $\angle PAO = \angle QAO$  ;

that is, the  $\angle BAC$  is bisected by  $AO$ .

**NOTE.**  $PQ$  has been taken as the radius of the arcs drawn from the centres  $P$  and  $Q$ , and the intersection of these arcs determines the point  $O$ . Any radius, however, may be used instead of  $PQ$ , provided that it is great enough to secure the intersection of the arcs.

PROBLEM 2

To bisect a given straight line.



Let  $AB$  be the line to be bisected.

**Construction.** With centre  $A$ , and radius  $AB$ , draw two arcs, one on each side of  $AB$ .

With centre  $B$ , and radius  $BA$ , draw two arcs, one on each side of  $AB$ , cutting the first arcs at  $P$  and  $Q$ .

Join  $PQ$ , cutting  $AB$  at  $O$ .

Then  $AB$  is bisected at  $O$ .

**Proof.**

Join  $AP$ ,  $AQ$ ,  $BP$ ,  $BQ$ .

In the  $\triangle APQ$ ,  $BPQ$ ,

because  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} AP = BP, \text{ being radii of equal circles,} \\ AQ = BQ, \text{ for the same reason,} \\ \text{and } PQ \text{ is common;} \end{array} \right.$

$\therefore \angle APQ = \angle BPQ$ .

*Theor. 7.*

Again in the  $\triangle APO$ ,  $BPO$ ,

because  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} AP = BP, \text{ and } PO \text{ is common,} \\ \text{and } \angle APO = \angle BPO; \end{array} \right.$

$\therefore AO = BO$ ;

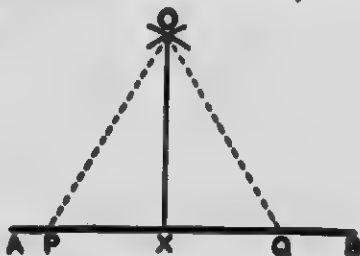
*Theor. 4.*

that is,  $AB$  is bisected at  $O$ .

**NOTE.** From the congruence of the  $\triangle APO$ ,  $BPO$  it follows that the  $\angle AOP = \angle BOP$ . As these are adjacent angles, it follows that  $PQ$  bisects  $AB$  at right angles.

## PROBLEM 3

To draw a straight line perpendicular to a given straight line at a given point in it.



Let  $AB$  be the straight line, and  $X$  the point in it at which a perpendicular is to be drawn.

**Construction.** With centre  $X$  cut off from  $AB$  any two equal parts  $XP$ ,  $XQ$ .

With centres  $P$  and  $Q$ , and radius  $PQ$ , draw two arcs cutting at  $O$ .

Join  $XO$ .

Then  $XO$  is perp. to  $AB$ .

**Proof.**

Join  $OP$ ,  $OQ$ .

In the  $\triangle OXP$ ,  $OXQ$ ,

because  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} XP = XQ, \text{ by construction,} \\ OX \text{ is common,} \\ \text{and } PO = QO, \text{ being radii of equal circles ;} \end{array} \right.$

$\therefore$  the  $\angle OXP =$  the  $\angle OXQ$ . *Theor. 7.*

And these being adjacent angles, each is a right angle ;  
that is,  $XO$  is perp. to  $AB$ .

*Obs.* If the point  $X$  is near one end of  $AB$ , one or other of the alternative constructions on the next page should be used.



PROBLEM 3. SECOND METHOD

**Construction.** Take any point  $C$  outside  $AB$ .

With centre  $C$ , and radius  $X$ , draw a circle cutting  $AB$  at  $D$ .

Join  $DC$ , and produce it to meet the circumference of the circle at  $O$ .

Join  $XO$ .

Then  $XO$  is perp. to  $AB$ .

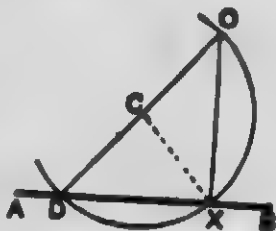
**Proof.**

Join  $CX$ .

Because  $CO = CX$ ;  $\therefore$  the  $\angle CXO =$  the  $\angle COX$ ;  
and because  $CD = CX$ ;  $\therefore$  the  $\angle CXD = \angle CDX$ .

$\therefore$  the whole  $\angle DXO =$  the  $\angle XOD +$  the  $\angle XDO$   
 $= \frac{1}{2}$  of  $180^\circ = 90^\circ$ .

$\therefore XO$  is perp. to  $AB$ .



PROBLEM 3. THIRD METHOD

**Construction.** With centre  $X$  and any radius, draw the arc  $CDE$ , cutting  $AB$  at  $C$ .

With centre  $C$ , and with the same radius, draw an arc, cutting the first arc at  $D$ .

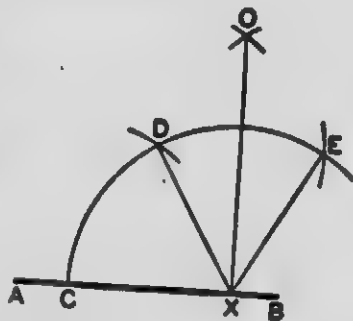
With centre  $D$ , and with the same radius, draw an arc, cutting the first arc at  $E$ .

Bisect the  $\angle DXE$  by  $XO$ .

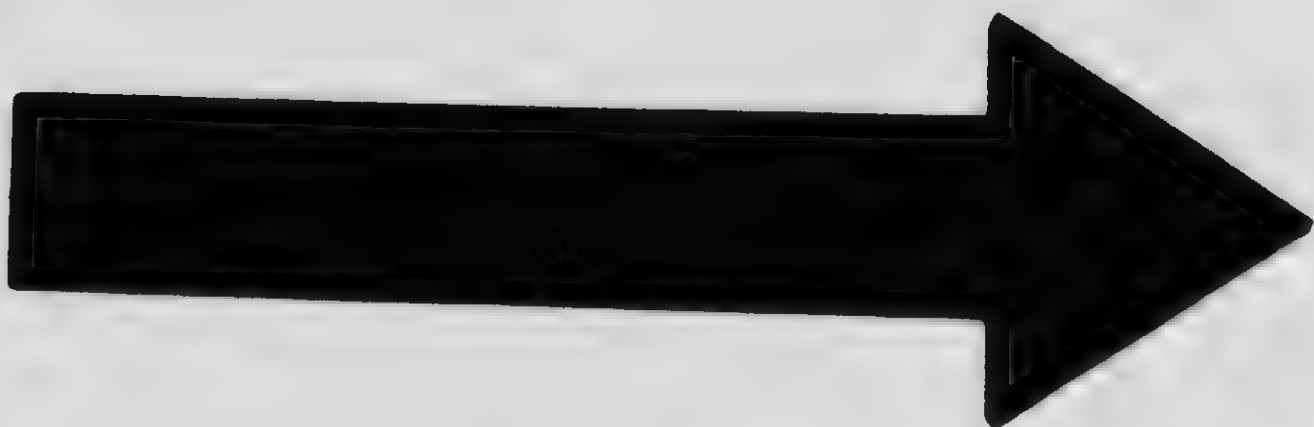
Then  $XO$  is perp. to  $AB$ .

**Proof.** Each of the  $\angle CXD, DXE$  is  $60^\circ$ ;  
and the  $\angle DXO$  is half of the  $\angle DXE$ ;  
 $\therefore$  the  $\angle CXO$  is  $90^\circ$ .

That is,  $XO$  is perp. to  $AB$ .

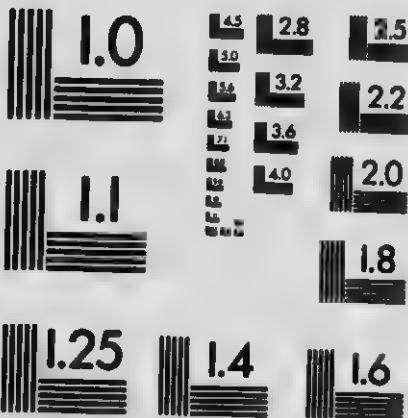


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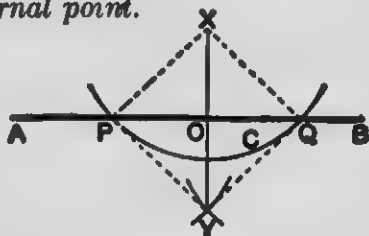


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## PROBLEM 4

*To draw a straight line perpendicular to a given straight line from a given external point.*



Let  $X$  be the given external point from which a perpendicular is to be drawn to  $AB$ .

**Construction.** Take any point  $C$  on the side of  $AB$  remote from  $X$ .

With centre  $X$ , and radius  $XC$ , draw an arc to cut  $AB$  at  $P$  and  $Q$ .

With centres  $P$  and  $Q$ , and radius  $PX$ , draw arcs cutting at  $Y$ , on the side of  $AB$  opposite to  $X$ .

Join  $XY$  cutting  $AB$  at  $O$ .

Then  $XO$  is perp. to  $AB$ .

**Proof.**

Join  $PX, QX, PY, QY$ .

In the  $\triangle PXY, QXY$ ,

because  $\begin{cases} PX = QX, \text{ being radii of a circle,} \\ PY = QY, \text{ for the same reason,} \\ \text{and } XY \text{ is common;} \end{cases}$

$\therefore \angle PXY = \angle QXY$ . *Theor. 7.*

Again, in the  $\triangle PXO, QXO$ ,

because  $\begin{cases} PX = QX, \\ XO \text{ is common,} \\ \text{and the } \angle PXO = \angle QXO; \end{cases}$

$\therefore \angle XOP = \angle XOQ$ . *Theor. 4.*

And these being adjacent angles, each is a right angle, that is,  $XO$  is perp. to  $AB$ .

*Obs.* When the point  $X$  is nearly opposite one end of  $AB$ , one or other of the alternative constructions given below should be used.

**PROBLEM 4. SECOND METHOD**

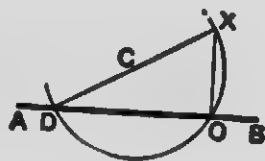
**Construction.** Take any point  $D$  in  $AB$ . Join  $DX$ , and bisect it at  $C$ .

With centre  $C$ , and radius  $CX$ , draw a circle cutting  $AB$  at  $D$  and  $O$ .

Join  $XO$ .

Then  $XO$  is perp. to  $AB$ .

For, as in Problem 3, Second Method, the  $\angle XOD$  is a right angle.



**PROBLEM 4. THIRD METHOD**

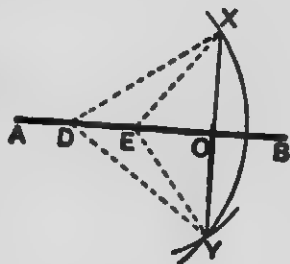
**Construction.** Take any two points  $D$  and  $E$  in  $AB$ .

With centre  $D$ , and radius  $DX$ , draw an arc of a circle, on the side of  $AB$  opposite to  $X$ .

With centre  $E$ , and radius  $EX$ , draw another arc cutting the former at  $Y$ .

Join  $XY$ , cutting  $AB$  at  $O$ .

Then  $XO$  is perp. to  $AB$ .

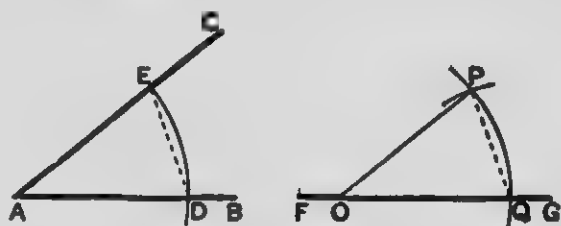


(i) Prove the  $\triangle XDE, YDE$  equal in all respects by Theorem 7, so that the  $\angle XDE = \angle YDE$ .

(ii) Hence prove the  $\triangle XDO, YDO$  equal in all respects by Theorem 4, so that the adjacent  $\angle DOX, DOY$  are equal. That is,  $XO$  is perp. to  $AB$ .

## PROBLEM 5

*At a given point in a given straight line to make an angle equal to a given angle.*



Let  $BAC$  be the given angle, and  $FG$  the given straight line ; and let  $O$  be the point at which an angle is to be made equal to the  $\angle BAC$ .

**Construction.** With centre  $A$ , and with any radius, draw an arc cutting  $AB$  and  $AC$  at  $D$  and  $E$ .

With centre  $O$ , and with the same radius, draw an arc cutting  $FG$  at  $Q$ .

With centre  $Q$ , and with radius  $DE$ , draw an arc cutting the former arc at  $P$ .

Join  $OP$ .

Then  $POQ$  is the required angle.

**Proof.**

Join  $ED$ ,  $PQ$ .

In the  $\triangle POQ$ ,  $EAD$ ,

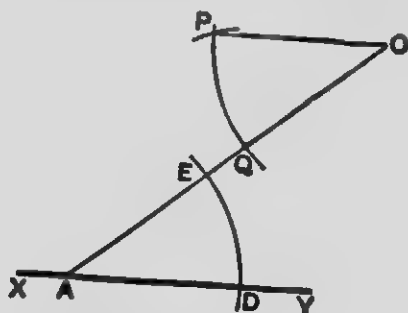
because  $\begin{cases} OP = AE, \text{ being radii of equal circles,} \\ OQ = AD, \text{ for the same reason,} \\ PQ = ED, \text{ by construction ;} \end{cases}$

$\therefore$  the triangles are equal in all respects ;

so that the  $\angle POQ =$  the  $\angle EAD$ . *Theor. 7.*

PROBLEM 6

*Through a given point to draw a straight line parallel to a given straight line.*



Let  $XY$  be the given straight line, and  $O$  the given point, through which a straight line is to be drawn parallel to  $XY$ .

**Construction.** In  $XY$  take any point  $A$ , and join  $OA$ .

Using the construction of Problem 5, at the point  $O$  on the line  $AO$  make the  $\angle AOP$  equal to the  $\angle OAY$  and alternate to it.

Then  $OP$  is parallel to  $XY$ .

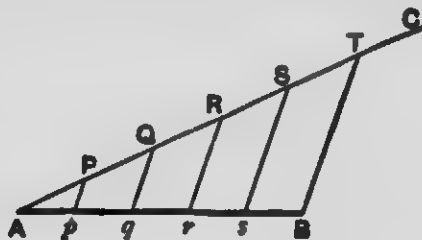
**Proof.** Because  $AO$ , meeting the straight lines  $OP$ ,  $XY$ , makes the alternate  $\angle POA$ ,  $OAY$  equal;

$\therefore OP$  is parallel to  $XY$ .

\*\*\* The constructions of Problems 3, 4, and 6 are not usually followed in practical applications. Parallels and perpendiculars may be more quickly drawn by the aid of set squares. (See LESSONS IN EXPERIMENTAL GEOMETRY, pp. 36, 42.)

## PROBLEM 7

*To divide a given straight line into any number of equal parts.*



Let  $AB$  be the given straight line, and suppose it is required to divide it into *five* equal parts.

**Construction.** From  $A$  draw  $AC$ , a straight line of unlimited length, making any angle with  $AB$ .

From  $AC$  mark off *five* equal parts of *any* length,  $AP$ ,  $PQ$ ,  $QR$ ,  $RS$ ,  $ST$ .

Join  $TB$ ; and through  $P$ ,  $Q$ ,  $R$ ,  $S$  draw  $\text{par}^{\text{a}}$  to  $TB$ , meeting  $AB$  in  $p$ ,  $q$ ,  $r$ ,  $s$ .

Then since the  $\text{par}^{\text{a}}$   $Pp$ ,  $Qq$ ,  $Rr$ ,  $Ss$ ,  $TB$  cut off five equal parts from  $AT$ , they also cut off five equal parts from  $AB$ . (Theorem 22.)

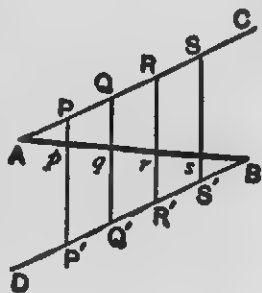
## SECOND METHOD

From  $A$  draw  $AC$  at any angle with  $AB$ , and on it mark off *four* equal parts  $AP$ ,  $PQ$ ,  $QR$ ,  $RS$ , of any length.

From  $B$  draw  $BD$   $\text{par}^{\text{a}}$  to  $AC$ , and on it mark off  $BS'$ ,  $S'R'$ ,  $R'Q'$ ,  $Q'P'$ , each equal to the parts marked on  $AC$ .

Join  $PF'$ ,  $QQ'$ ,  $RR'$ ,  $SS'$  meeting  $AB$  in  $p$ ,  $q$ ,  $r$ ,  $s$ . Then  $AB$  is divided into five equal parts at these points.

[Prove by Theorems 20 and 22.]





# PROBLEMS ON LINES AND ANGLES

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## EXERCISES ON LINES AND ANGLES

### (Graphical Exercises)

1. Construct (with ruler and compasses only) an angle of  $60^\circ$ . By repeated bisection divide this angle into four equal parts.
2. By means of Exercise 1, trisect a right angle; that is, divide it into three equal parts.  
Bisect each part, and hence shew how to trisect an angle of  $45^\circ$ . [No construction is known for exactly trisecting any angle.]
3. Draw a line 6.7 cm. long, and divide it into five equal parts. Measure one of the parts in inches (to the nearest hundredth), and verify your work by calculation. [1 cm. = 0.3937 inch.]
4. From a straight line 3.72" long, cut off one seventh. Measure the part in centimetres and the nearest millimetre, and verify your work by calculation.
5. At a point  $X$  in a straight line  $AB$  draw  $XP$  perpendicular to  $AB$ , making  $XP$  1.8" in length. From  $P$  draw an oblique  $PQ$ , 3.0" long, to meet  $AB$  in  $Q$ . Measure  $XQ$ .

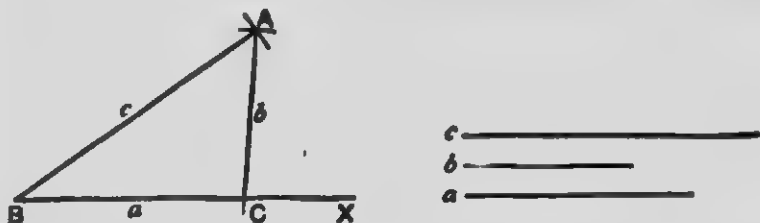
(Problems. State your construction, and give a theoretical proof)

6. In a straight line  $XY$  find a point which is equidistant from two given points  $A$  and  $B$ .  
When is this impossible?
7. In a straight line  $XY$  find a point which is equidistant from two intersecting lines  $AB$ ,  $AC$ .  
When is this impossible?
8. From a given point  $P$  draw a straight line  $PQ$ , making with a given straight line  $AB$  an angle of given magnitude.
9. From two given points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the same side of a straight line  $AB$ , draw two lines which meet in  $AB$  and make equal angles with it.  
[Construction. From  $P$  draw  $PH$  perp. to  $AB$ , and produce  $PH$  to  $P'$ , making  $HP'$  equal to  $PH$ . Join  $P'Q$  cutting  $AB$  at  $K$ . Join  $PK$ . Prove that  $PK$ ,  $QK$  are the required lines.]
10. Through a given point  $P$  draw a straight line such that the perpendiculars drawn to it from two points  $A$  and  $B$  may be equal.  
Is this always possible?

## THE CONSTRUCTION OF TRIANGLES

## PROBLEM 8

To draw a triangle having given the lengths of the three sides.



Let  $a, b, c$  be the lengths to which the sides of the required triangle are to be equal.

**Construction.** Draw any straight line  $BX$ , and cut off from it a part  $BC$  equal to  $a$ .

With centre  $B$ , and radius  $c$ , draw an arc of a circle.

With centre  $C$ , and radius  $b$ , draw a second arc cutting the first at  $A$ .

Join  $AB, AC$ .

Then  $ABC$  is the required triangle, for by construction the sides  $BC, CA, AB$  are equal to  $a, b, c$  respectively.

**Obs.** The three data  $a, b, c$  may be understood in two ways : either as three actual lines to which the sides of the triangle are to be equal, or as three *numbers* expressing the lengths of those lines in terms of inches, centimetres, or some other linear unit.

**NOTES.** (i) In order that the construction may be possible it is necessary that any two of the given sides should be together greater than the third side (Theorem 11); for otherwise the arcs drawn from the centres  $B$  and  $C$  would not cut.

(ii) The arcs which cut at  $A$  would, if continued, cut again on the other side of  $BC$ . Thus the construction gives two triangles on opposite sides of a common base.

## ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF TRIANGLES

It has been seen (page 50) that to prove two triangles identically equal, *three* parts of one must be given equal to the corresponding parts of the other (though *any* three parts do not necessarily serve the purpose). This amounts to saying that *to determine the shape and size of a triangle we must know three of its parts*: or, in other words,

*To construct a triangle three independent data are required.*

For example, we may construct a triangle

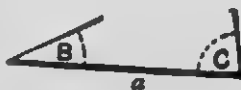
(i) When *two sides* ( $b, c$ ) and the *included angle* ( $A$ ) are given.

The method of construction in this case is obvious.

(ii) When *two angles* ( $A, B$ ) and one side ( $a$ ) are given.

Here, since  $A$  and  $B$  are given, we at once know  $C$ ;  
for  $A + B + C = 180^\circ$ .

Hence we have only to draw the base equal to  $a$ , and at its ends make angles equal to  $B$  and  $C$ ; for we know that the remaining angle must necessarily be equal to  $A$ :



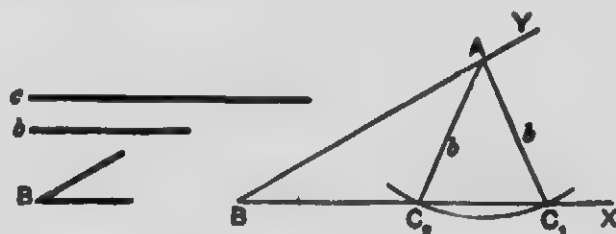
(iii) If the *three angles*  $A, B, C$  are given (and no side), the problem is *indeterminate*, that is, the number of solutions is unlimited.

For if at the ends of *any* base we make angles equal to  $B$  and  $C$ , the third angle is equal to  $A$ .

This construction is indeterminate, because the three data are not *independent*, the third following necessarily from the other two.

## PROBLEM 9

*To construct a triangle having given two sides and an angle opposite to one of them.*



Let  $b, c$  be the given sides and  $B$  the given angle.

**Construction.** Take any straight line  $BX$ , and at  $P$  make the  $\angle XBY$  equal to the given  $\angle B$ .

From  $BY$  cut off  $BA$  equal to  $c$ .

With centre  $A$ , and radius  $b$ , draw an arc of a circle.

If this arc cuts  $BX$  in two points  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , both on the same side of  $B$ , both of the  $\triangle ABC_1, \triangle ABC_2$  satisfy the given conditions.

This double solution is known as the **Ambiguous Case**, and will occur when  $b$  is less than  $c$  but greater than the perp. from  $A$  on  $BX$ .

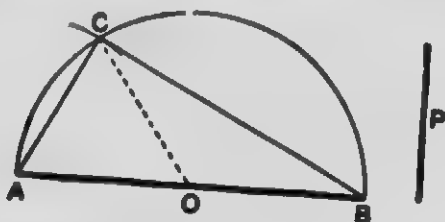
## EXERCISE

Draw figures to illustrate the nature and number of solutions in the following cases :

- (i) When  $b$  is greater than  $c$ .
- (ii) When  $b$  is equal to  $c$ .
- (iii) When  $b$  is equal to the perpendicular from  $A$  on  $BX$ .
- (iv) When  $b$  is less than this perpendicular.

PROBLEM 10

To construct a right-angled triangle having given the hypotenuse and one side.



Let  $AB$  be the hypotenuse and  $P$  the given side.

**Construction.** Bisect  $AB$  at  $O$ ; and with centre  $O$ , and radius  $OA$ , draw a semicircle.

With centre  $A$ , and radius  $P$ , draw an arc to cut the semicircle at  $C$ .

Join  $AC$ ,  $BC$ .

Then  $ABC$  is the required triangle.

**Proof.**

Join  $OC$ .

Because  $OA = OC$ ;

$\therefore$  the  $\angle OCA =$  the  $\angle OAC$ .

And becau.  $\therefore OB = OC$ ;

$\therefore$  the  $\angle OCB =$  the  $\angle OBC$ .

$\therefore$  the whole  $\angle ACB =$  the  $\angle OAC +$  the  $\angle OBC$

$= \frac{1}{2}$  of  $180^\circ$

$= 90^\circ$ .

*Theor.* 16.

## ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF TRIANGLES

*(Graphical Exercises)*

1. Draw a triangle whose sides are 7.5 cm., 6.2 cm., and 5.3 cm. Draw and measure the perpendiculars dropped on these sides from the opposite vertices.

2. Draw a triangle, given  $a = 3.00''$ ,  $b = 2.50''$ ,  $c = 2.75''$ .

Bisect the angle  $A$  by a line which meets the base at  $X$ . Measure  $BX$  and  $XC$  (to the nearest hundredth of an inch); and hence calculate the value of  $\frac{BX}{CX}$  to two places of decimals. Compare your result with the value of  $c/b$ .

3. Two sides of a triangular field are 315 yards and 260 yards, and the included angle is known to be  $39^\circ$ . Draw a plan (1 inch to 100 yards) and find by measurement the length of the remaining side of the field.

4.  $ABC$  is a triangular plot of ground, of which the base  $BC$  is 75 metres, and the angles at  $B$  and  $C$  are  $47^\circ$  and  $68^\circ$  respectively. Draw a plan (scale 1 cm. to 10 metres). Write down without measurement the size of the angle  $A$ ; and by measuring the plan, obtain the approximate lengths of the other sides of the field; also the perpendicular drawn from  $A$  to  $BC$ .

5. A yacht on leaving harbour steers N.E. sailing 9 knots an hour. After 20 minutes she goes about, steering N.W. for 35 minutes and making the same average speed as before. How far is she now from the harbour, and what course (approximately) must she set for the run home? Obtain your results from a chart of the whole course, scale 2 cm. to 1 knot.

6. Draw a right-angled triangle, given that the hypotenuse  $c = 10.6$  cm. and one side  $a = 5.6$  cm. Measure the third side  $b$ ; and find the value of  $\sqrt{c^2 - a^2}$ . Compare the two results.

7. Construct a triangle, having given the following parts:  $B = 34^\circ$ ,  $b = 5.5$  cm.,  $c = 8.5$  cm. Shew that there are two solutions. Measure the two values of  $a$ , and also of  $C$ , and shew that the latter are supplementary.

8. In a triangle  $ABC$ , the angle  $A = 50^\circ$ , and  $b = 6.5$  cm. Illustrate by figures the cases which arise in constructing the triangle, when (i)  $a = 7$  cm. (ii)  $a = 6$  cm. (iii)  $a = 5$  cm. (iv)  $a = 4$  cm.

9. Two straight roads, which cross at right angles at  $A$ , are carried over a straight canal by bridges at  $B$  and  $C$ . The distance between the bridges is 461 yards, and the distance from the crossing  $A$  to the bridge  $B$  is 261 yards. Draw a plan, and by measurement of it ascertain the distance from  $A$  to  $C$ .

(Problems. State your construction, and give a theoretical proof)

10. Draw an isosceles angle on a base of 4 cm., and having an altitude of 6.2 cm. Prove the two sides equal, and measure them to the nearest millimetre.

11. Draw an isosceles triangle having its vertical angle equal to a given angle, and the perpendicular from the vertex on the base equal to a given straight line.

Hence draw an equilateral triangle in which the perpendicular from one vertex on the opposite side is 6 cm. Measure the length of a side to the nearest millimetre.

12. Construct a triangle  $ABC$  in which the perpendicular from  $A$  on  $BC$  is 5.0 cm., and the sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$  are 5.8 cm. and 9.0 cm. respectively. Measure  $BC$ .

13. Construct a triangle  $ABC$  having the angles at  $B$  and  $C$  equal to two given angles  $L$  and  $M$ , and the perpendicular from  $A$  on  $BC$  equal to a given line  $P$ .

14. Construct a triangle  $ABC$  (without protractor) having given two angles  $B$  and  $C$  and the side  $b$ .

15. On a given base construct an isosceles triangle having its vertical angle equal to a given angle  $L$ .

16. Construct a right-angled triangle, having given the length of the hypotenuse  $c$ , and the sum of the remaining sides  $a$  and  $b$ .

If  $c = 5.3$  cm., and  $a + b = 7.3$  cm., find  $a$  and  $b$  graphically; and calculate the value of  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ .

17. Construct a triangle, given the perimeter and the angles at the base. For example,  $a + b + c = 12$  cm.,  $B = 70^\circ$ ,  $C = 80^\circ$ .

18. Construct a triangle  $ABC$  from the following data:

$a = 6.5$  cm.,  $b + c = 10$  cm., and  $B = 60^\circ$ .  
Measure the lengths of  $b$  and  $c$ .

19. Construct a triangle  $ABC$  from the following data:

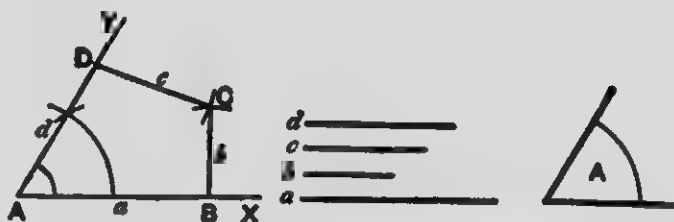
$a = 7$  cm.,  $c - b = 1$  cm., and  $B = 55^\circ$ .  
Measure the lengths of  $b$  and  $c$ .

## THE CONSTRUCTION OF QUADRILATERALS

It has been shewn that the shape and size of a triangle are completely determined when the lengths of its three sides are given. A quadrilateral, however, is not completely determined by the lengths of its four sides. From what follows it will appear that *five* independent data are required to construct a quadrilateral.

## PROBLEM 11

*To construct a quadrilateral, given the lengths of the four sides, and one angle.*



Let  $a, b, c, d$  be the given lengths of the sides, and  $A$  the angle between the sides equal to  $a$  and  $d$ .

**Construction.** Take any straight line  $AX$ , and cut off from it  $AB$  equal to  $a$ .

Make the  $\angle BAY$  equal to the  $\angle A$ .

From  $AY$  cut off  $AD$  equal to  $d$ .

With centre  $D$ , and radius  $c$ , draw an arc of a circle.

With centre  $B$ , and radius  $b$ , draw another arc to cut the former at  $C$ .

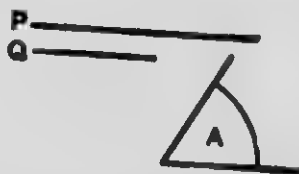
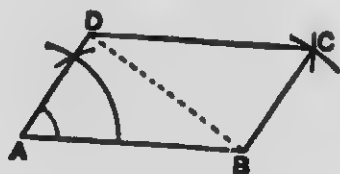
Join  $DC, BC$ .

Then  $ABCD$  is the required quadrilateral; for by construction the sides are equal to  $a, b, c, d$ , and the  $\angle DAB$  is equal to the given angle.



PROBLEM 12

To construct a parallelogram having given two adjacent sides and the included angle.



Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be the two given sides, and  $A$  the given angle.

**Construction 1.** (With ruler and compasses.) Take a line  $AB$  equal to  $P$ ; and at  $A$  make the  $\angle BAD$  equal to the  $\angle A$  and make  $AD$  equal to  $Q$ .

With centre  $D$ , and radius  $P$ , draw an arc of a circle.

With centre  $B$ , and radius  $Q$ , draw another arc to cut the former at  $C$ .

Then  $ABCD$  is the required  $\text{par}^m$ .

**Proof.**

Join  $DB$ .

In the  $\triangle DCB, BAD$ ,

because  $\begin{cases} DC = BA, \\ CB = AD, \\ \text{and } DB \text{ is common;} \end{cases}$

$\therefore$  the  $\angle CDB =$  the  $\angle ABD$ ; Theor. 7.

and these are alternate angles,

$\therefore DC$  is  $\text{par}^l$  to  $AB$ .

Also  $DC = AB$ ;

$\therefore DA$  and  $BC$  are also equal and parallel. Theor. 20.

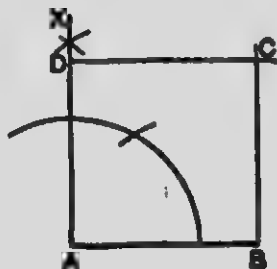
$\therefore ABCD$  is a  $\text{par}^m$ .

**Construction 2.** (With set squares.) Draw  $AB$  and  $AD$  as before; then with set squares through  $D$  draw  $DC$   $\text{par}^l$  to  $AB$ , and through  $B$  draw  $BC$   $\text{par}^l$  to  $AD$ .

By construction  $ABCD$  is a  $\text{par}^m$  having the required parts.

## PROBLEM 13

*To construct a square on a given side.*



Let  $AB$  be the given side.

**Construction 1.** (*With ruler and compasses.*) At  $A$  draw  $AX$  perp. to  $AB$ , and cut off from it  $AD$  equal to  $AB$ .

With  $B$  and  $D$  as centres, and with radius  $AB$ , draw two arcs cutting at  $C$ .

Join  $BC$ ,  $DC$ .

Then  $ABCD$  is the required square.

**Proof.** As in Problem 12,  $ABCD$  may be shown to be a par<sup>m</sup>. And since the  $\angle BAD$  is a right angle, the figure is a rectangle. Also, by construction all its sides are equal.

$\therefore ABCD$  is a square.

**Construction 2.** (*With set squares.*) At  $A$  draw  $AX$  perp. to  $AB$ , and cut off from it  $AD$  equal to  $AB$ .

Through  $D$  draw  $DC$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $AB$ , and through  $B$  draw  $BC$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $AD$  meeting  $DC$  in  $C$ .

Then, by construction,  $ABCD$  is a rectangle. [Def. 3, page 56.]

Also it has the two adjacent sides  $AB$ ,  $AD$  equal.

$\therefore$  it is a square.

## EXERCISES

## ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF QUADRILATERALS

1. Draw a rhombus each of whose sides is equal to a given straight line  $PQ$ , which is also to be one diagonal of the figure.

Ascertain (without measurement) the number of degrees in each angle, giving a reason for your answer.

2. Draw a square on a side of 2.5 inches. Prove theoretically that its diagonals are equal; and by measuring the diagonals to the nearest hundredth of an inch test the correctness of your drawing.

3. Construct a square on a diagonal of 3.0", and measure the length of each side. Obtain the average of your results.

4. Draw a parallelogram  $ABCD$ , having given that one side  $AB = 5.5$  cm., and the diagonals  $AC$ ,  $BD$  are 8 cm., and 6 cm., respectively. Measure  $AD$ .

5. The diagonals of a certain quadrilateral are equal (each 6.0 cm.), and they bisect one another at an angle of  $60^\circ$ . Shew that *five* independent data are here given.

Construct the quadrilateral. Name its species; and give a *formal* proof of your answer. Measure the perimeter. If the angle between the diagonals were increased to  $90^\circ$ , by how much per cent would the perimeter be increased?

6. In a quadrilateral  $ABCD$ ,  $AB = 5.6$  cm.,  $BC = 2.5$  cm.,  $CD = 4.0$  cm., and  $DA = 3.3$  cm. Shew that the shape of the quadrilateral is not settled by these data.

Draw the quadrilateral when (i)  $A = 30^\circ$ , (ii)  $A = 60^\circ$ . Why does the construction fail when  $A = 100^\circ$ ?

Determine graphically the least value of  $A$  for which the construction fails.

7. Shew how to construct a quadrilateral, having given the lengths of the four sides and of one diagonal. What conditions must hold among the data in order that the problem may be possible?

Illustrate your method by constructing a quadrilateral  $ABCD$ , when

(i)  $AB = 3.0''$ ,  $BC = 1.7''$ ,  $CD = 2.5''$ ,  $DA = 2.8''$ , and the diagonal  $BD = 2.6''$ . Measure  $AC$ .

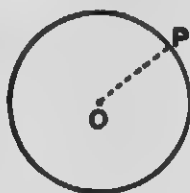
(ii)  $AB = 3.6$  cm.,  $BC = 7.7$  cm.,  $CD = 6.8$  cm.,  $DA = 5.1$  cm., and the diagonal  $AC = 8.5$  cm. Measure the angles at  $B$  and  $D$ .

## LOCI

**DEFINITION.** The locus of a point is the path traced out by it when it moves in accordance with some given law.

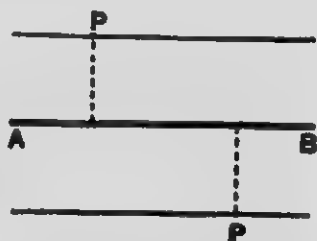
*Example 1.* Suppose the point  $P$  to move so that its distance from a fixed point  $O$  is constant (say 1 centimetre).

Then the locus of  $P$  is evidently the circumference of a circle whose centre is  $O$  and radius 1 cm.



*Example 2.* Suppose the point  $P$  moves at a constant distance (say 1 cm.) from a fixed straight line  $AB$ .

Then the locus of  $P$  is one or other of two straight lines parallel to  $AB$ , on either side, and at a distance of 1 cm. from it.

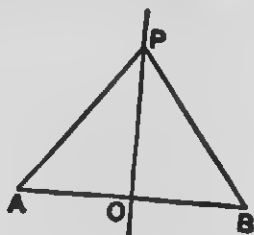


Thus the locus of a point, moving under some given condition, consists of the line or lines to which the point is thereby restricted ; provided that the condition is satisfied by every point on such line or lines, and by no other.

When we find a series of points which satisfy the given law, and through which therefore the moving point must pass we are said to plot the locus of the point.

PROBLEM 14

To find the locus of a point  $P$  which moves so that its distances from two fixed points  $A$  and  $B$  are always equal to one another.



Here the point  $P$  moves through all positions in which  $PA = PB$  ;

$\therefore$  one position of the moving point is at  $O$  the middle point of  $AB$ .

Suppose  $P$  to be any other position of the moving point : that is, let  $PA = PB$ .

Join  $OP$ .

Then in the  $\triangle POA, POB$ ,

because  $\begin{cases} PO \text{ is common,} \\ OA = OB, \\ \text{and } PA = PB, \text{ by hypothesis ;} \end{cases}$

$\therefore$  the  $\angle POA =$  the  $\angle POB$ .

Theor. 7.

Hence  $PO$  is perpendicular to  $AB$ .

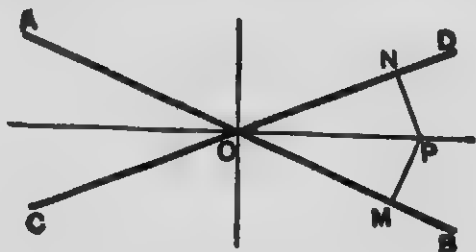
That is, every point  $P$  which is equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$  lies on the straight line bisecting  $AB$  at right angles.

Likewise it may be proved that every point on the perpendicular through  $O$  is equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$ .

This line is therefore the required locus.

## PROBLEM 15

To find the locus of a point  $P$  which moves so that its perpendicular distances from two given straight lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  are equal to one another.



Let  $P$  be any point such that the perp.  $PM =$  the perp.  $PN$ .

Join  $P$  to  $O$ , the intersection of  $AB$ ,  $CD$ .

Then in the  $\triangle PMO$ ,  $PNO$ ,

because  $\begin{cases} \text{the } \triangle PMO, PNO \text{ are right angles,} \\ \text{the hypotenuse } OP \text{ is common,} \\ \text{and one side } PM = \text{one side } PN; \end{cases}$

$\therefore$  the triangles are equal in all respects ; *Theor.* 18.  
so that the  $\angle POM =$  the  $\angle PON$ .

Hence, if  $P$  lies within the  $\angle BOD$ , it must be on the bisector of that angle ;

and, if  $P$  is within the  $\angle AOD$ , it must be on the bisector of that angle.

It follows that the required locus is the pair of lines which bisect the angles between  $AB$  and  $CD$ .

# INTERSECTION OF LOCI

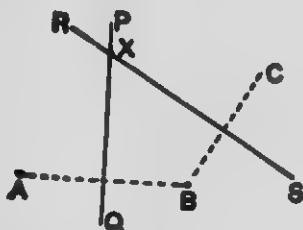
The method of Loci may be used to find the position of a point which is subject to two conditions. For corresponding to each condition there will be a locus on which the required point must lie. Hence all points which are common to these two loci, that is, all the points of intersection of the loci, will satisfy both the given conditions.

**EXAMPLE 1.** To find a point equidistant from three given points  $A, B, C$  which are not in the same straight line.

(i) The locus of points equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$  is the straight line  $PQ$ , which bisects  $AB$  at right angles.

(ii) Similarly, the locus of points equidistant from  $B$  and  $C$  is the straight line  $RS$ , which bisects  $BC$  at right angles.

Hence the point common to  $PQ$  and  $RS$  must satisfy both conditions: that is to say,  $X$  the point of intersection of  $PQ$  and  $RS$  will be equidistant from  $A, B$ , and  $C$ .



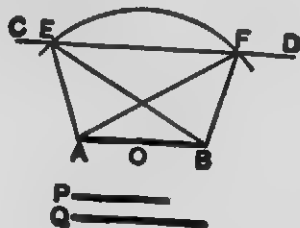
**EXAMPLE 2.** To construct a triangle, having given the base, the altitude, and the length of the median which bisects the base.

Let  $AB$  be the given base, and  $P$  and  $Q$  the lengths of the altitude and median respectively.

Then the triangle is known if its vertex is known.

(i) Draw a straight line  $CD$  parallel to  $AB$ , and at a distance from it equal to  $P$ : then the required vertex must lie on  $CD$ .

(ii) Again, from  $O$  the middle point of  $AB$  as centre, with radius equal to  $Q$ , describe a circle:



then the required vertex must lie on this circle.

Hence any points which are common to  $CD$  and the circle satisfy both the given conditions: that is to say, if  $CD$  intersect the circle in  $E, F$ , each of the points of intersection might be the vertex of the required triangle. This supposes the length of the median  $Q$  to be greater than the altitude.

It may happen that the data of the problem are so related to one another that the resulting loci do not intersect. In this case the problem is impossible.

*Obs.* In examples on the Intersection of Loci the student should make a point of investigating the relations which must exist among the data, in order that the problem may be possible ; and he must observe that if under certain relations *two* solutions are possible, and under other relations no solution exists, there will always be some *intermediate* relation under which the two solutions combine in a single solution.

#### EXAMPLES ON LOCI

1. Find the locus of a point which moves so that its distance (measured radially) from the circumference of a given circle is constant.
2. A point  $P$  moves along a straight line  $RQ$ ; find the position in which it is equidistant from two given points  $A$  and  $B$ .
3.  $A$  and  $B$  are two fixed points within a circle: find points on the circumference equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$ . How many such points are there?
4. A point  $P$  moves along a straight line  $RQ$ ; find the position in which it is equidistant from two given straight lines  $AB$  and  $CD$ .
5.  $A$  and  $B$  are two fixed points 6 cm. apart. Find by the method of loci two points which are 4 cm. distant from  $A$ , and 5 cm. from  $B$ .
6.  $AB$  and  $CD$  are two given straight lines. Find points 3 cm. distant from  $AB$ , and 4 cm. from  $CD$ . How many solutions are there?
7. A straight rod of given length slides between two straight rulers placed at right angles to one another.  
*Plot* the locus of its middle point; and shew that this locus is the fourth part of the circumference of a circle. [See Problem 10.]
8. On a given base as hypotenuse right-angled triangles are described. Find the locus of their vertices.



9.  $A$  is a fixed point, and the point  $X$  moves on a fixed straight line  $BC$ .

Plot the locus of  $P$ , the middle point of  $AX$ ; and prove the locus to be a straight line parallel to  $BC$ .

10.  $A$  is a fixed point, and the point  $X$  moves on the circumference of a given circle.

Plot the locus of  $P$ , the middle point of  $AX$ ; and prove that this locus is a circle. [See Ex. 3, p. 64.]

11.  $AB$  is a given straight line, and  $AX$  is the perpendicular drawn from  $A$  to any straight line passing through  $B$ . If  $BX$  revolve about  $B$ , find the locus of the middle point of  $AX$ .

12. Two straight lines  $OX$ ,  $OY$  cut at right angles, and from  $P$ , a point within the angle  $XOY$ , perpendiculars  $PM$ ,  $PN$  are drawn to  $OX$ ,  $OY$  respectively. Plot the locus of  $P$  when

- (i)  $PM + PN$  is constant ( $= 6$  cm., say);
- (ii)  $PM - PN$  is constant ( $= 3$  cm., say).

And in each case give a theoretical proof of the result you arrive at experimentally.

13. Two straight lines  $OX$ ,  $OY$  intersect at right angles at  $O$ ; and from a movable point  $P$  perpendiculars  $PM$ ,  $PN$  are drawn to  $OX$ ,  $OY$ .

Plot (without proof) the locus of  $P$ , when

- (i)  $PM = 2 PN$ ;
- (ii)  $PM = 3 PN$ .

14. Find a point which is at a given distance from a given point and is equidistant from two given parallel straight lines.  
When does this problem admit of two solutions, when of one only, and when of none?

15.  $S$  is a fixed point 2 inches distant from a given straight line  $MX$ . Find two points which are  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches distant from  $S$ , and also  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches distant from  $MX$ .

16. Find a series of points equidistant from a given point  $S$  and a given straight line  $MX$ . Draw a curve freehand passing through all the points so found.

17. On a given base construct a triangle of given altitude, having its vertex on a given straight line.

18. Find a point equidistant from the three sides of a triangle.

19. Two straight lines  $OX$ ,  $OY$  cut at right angles; and  $Q$  and  $R$  points in  $OX$  and  $OY$  respectively. Plot the locus of the middle point of  $QR$ , when

- (i)  $OQ + OR = \text{constant}$ ;
- (ii)  $OQ - OR = \text{constant}$ .

20.  $S$  and  $S'$  are two fixed points. Find a series of points  $P$  such that

- (i)  $SP + S'P = \text{constant}$  (say 3.5 inches);
- (ii)  $SP - S'P = \text{constant}$  (say 1.5 inches).

In each case draw a curve freehand passing through all the points so found.

### ON THE CONCURRENCE OF STRAIGHT LINES IN A TRIANGLE

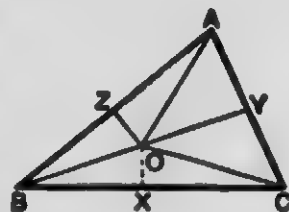
I. *The perpendiculars drawn to the sides of a triangle from their middle points are concurrent.*

Let  $ABC$  be a  $\triangle$ , and  $X$ ,  $Y$ ,  $Z$  the middle points of its sides.

From  $Z$  and  $Y$  draw perps. to  $AB$ ,  $AC$ , meeting at  $O$ . Join  $OX$ .

It is required to prove that  $OX$  is perp. to  $BC$ .

Join  $OA$ ,  $OB$ ,  $OC$ .



**Proof.** Because  $YO$  bisects  $AC$  at right angles,  
 $\therefore$  it is the locus of points equidistant from  $A$  and  $C$ ;

$$\therefore OA = OC.$$

Again, because  $ZO$  bisects  $AB$  at right angles,  
 $\therefore$  it is the locus of points equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$ ;

$$\therefore OA = OB.$$

$$\text{Hence } OB = OC.$$

$\therefore O$  is on the locus of points equidistant from  $B$  and  $C$ ;  
 that is,  $OX$  is perp. to  $BC$ .

Hence the perpendiculars from the mid-points of the sides meet at  $O$ .

Q.E.D.

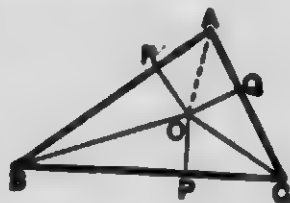
II. *The bisectors of the angles of a triangle are concurrent.*

Let  $ABC$  be a  $\triangle$ . Bisect the  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $BCA$  by straight lines which meet at  $O$ .

Join  $AO$ .

It is required to prove that  $AO$  bisects the  $\angle BAC$ .

From  $O$  draw  $OP, OQ, OR$  perp. to the sides of the  $\triangle$ .



**Proof.**

Because  $BO$  bisects the  $\angle ABC$ ,

$\therefore$  it is the locus of points equidistant from  $BA$  and  $BC$ ;

$$\therefore OP = OR.$$

Similarly  $CO$  is the locus of points equidistant from  $BC$  and  $CA$ ;

$$\therefore OP = OQ.$$

$$\text{Hence } OR = OQ.$$

$\therefore O$  is on the locus of points equidistant from  $AB$  and  $AC$ ;  
that is,  $OA$  is the bisector of the  $\angle BAC$ .

Hence the bisectors of the angles meet at  $O$ . Q.E.D.

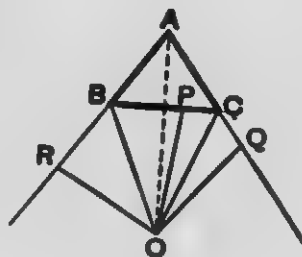
IIa *The bisectors of an interior angle at one vertex of a triangle and of the exterior angles at the other vertices are concurrent.*

Let  $ABC$  be a  $\triangle$ , and let  $AB$  be produced to  $D$  and  $AC$  be produced to  $E$ . Bisect the  $\triangle CBD, BCE$  by straight lines which meet at  $O$ .

Join  $AO$ .

It is required to prove that  $AO$  bisects the  $\angle BAC$ .

From  $O$  draw  $OP, OQ, OR$  perp. to  $BC, AE, AD$ .



**Proof.** As in Exercise II prove that

$$OP = OR,$$

$$OP = OQ,$$

$$OR = OQ;$$

and hence that the bisectors of the angles  $BAC, CBD, BCE$ , meet at  $O$ . Q.E.D.

III. *The medians of a triangle are concurrent.*

Let  $ABC$  be a  $\Delta$ .

Let  $BY$  and  $CZ$  be two of its medians, and let them intersect at  $O$ .

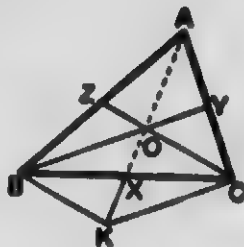
Join  $AO$ ,

and produce it to meet  $BC$  in  $X$ .

It is required to shew that  $AX$  is the remaining median of the  $\Delta$ .

Through  $C$  draw  $CK$  parallel to  $BY$ ;  
produce  $AX$  to meet  $CK$  at  $K$ .

Join  $BK$ .



**Proof.** In the  $\Delta AKC$ ,

because  $Y$  is the middle point of  $AC$ , and  $YO$  is parallel to  $CA$ ,  
 $\therefore O$  is the middle point of  $AK$ . *Theor. 22.*

Again in the  $\Delta ABK$ ,

since  $Z$  and  $O$  are the middle points of  $AB$ ,  $AK$ ,

$\therefore ZO$  is parallel to  $BK$ ,

that is,  $OC$  is parallel to  $BK$ ,

$\therefore$  the figure  $BKCO$  is a  $\text{par}^m$ .

But the diagonals of a  $\text{par}^m$  bisect one another;

$\therefore X$  is the middle point of  $BC$ .

That is,  $AX$  is a median of the  $\Delta$ .

Hence the three medians meet at the point  $O$ . Q.E.D.

**DEFINITION.** The point of intersection of the medians is called the **centroid** of the triangle.

**COROLLARY.** The three medians of a triangle cut one another at a point of trisection, the greater segment in each being towards the angular point.

For in the above figure it has been proved that

$$AO = OK,$$

also that  $OX$  is half of  $OK$ ;

$\therefore OX$  is half of  $OA$ ;

that is,  $OX$  is one third of  $AX$ .

Similarly  $OY$  is one third of  $BY$ ,

and  $OZ$  is one third of  $CZ$ .

Q.E.D.

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• IV. The perpendiculars drawn from the vertices of a triangle to the opposite sides are concurrent.

Let  $ABC$  be a  $\Delta$ .

From  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  draw  $AD$ ,  $BE$ , and  $CF$  perp. respectively to  $BC$ ,  $CA$ , and  $AB$ .

It is required to prove that  $AD$ ,  $BE$ , and  $CF$  are concurrent.

Through  $A$  draw  $C'B'$  parallel to  $BC$ .

Through  $B$  and  $C$  draw  $C'A'$  and  $A'B'$  parallel respectively to  $CA$  and  $AB$ .



**Proof.**

Because  $AC'$  is parallel to  $BC$ ,  
and  $BC'$  is parallel to  $AC$ ,

$\therefore ACBC'$  is a parallelogram.

$\therefore AC' = BC$ .

Similarly we may prove that  $AB' = BC$ .

$\therefore A$  is the middle point of  $C'B'$ .

Because the  $\angle ADC =$  a right  $\angle$ ,  
and the line  $B'C'$  is parallel to  $BC$ ,

$\therefore AD$  is perpendicular to  $B'C'$ .

*Theor. 14, (1).*

Hence  $AD$  is perpendicular to  $B'C'$  at its middle point.

Similarly,  $BE$  and  $CF$  are perpendicular to  $C'A'$  and  $A'B'$  at their middle points.

$\therefore AD$ ,  $BE$ , and  $CF$  are concurrent. *Page 96, I.*

*Q.E.D.*

## MISCELLANEOUS PROBLEMS

(A theoretical proof is to be given in each case.)

1.  $A$  is a given point, and  $BC$  a given straight line. From  $A$  draw a straight line to make with  $BC$  an angle equal to a given angle. How many such lines can be drawn?

2. Draw the bisector of an angle  $AOB$ , without using the vertex  $O$  in your construction.

3.  $P$  is a given point within the angle  $AOB$ . Draw through  $P$  a straight line terminated by  $OA$  and  $OB$ , and bisected at  $P$ .

4.  $OA, OB, OC$  are three straight lines meeting at  $O$ . Draw a transversal terminated by  $OA$  and  $OC$ , and bisected by  $OB$ .

5. Through a given point  $A$  draw a straight line so that the part intercepted between two given parallels may be of given length.

When does this problem admit of two solutions? When of only one? And when of none?

6. In a triangle  $ABC$  inscribe a rhombus having one of its angles coinciding with the angle  $A$ .

7. Use the properties of an equilateral triangle to trisect a given straight line.

8. In any triangle the shorter median bisects the greater side.

*(Construction of Triangles)*

9. Construct a triangle, having given

- (i) The middle points of the three sides.
- (ii) The lengths of two sides and of the median which bisects the third side.
- (iii) The lengths of one side and the medians which bisect the other two sides.
- (iv) The lengths of the three medians.

# PART II

## ON AREAS

### DEFINITIONS

1. The **altitude** (or **height**) of a parallelogram with reference to a given side as base, is the perpendicular distance between the base and the opposite side.

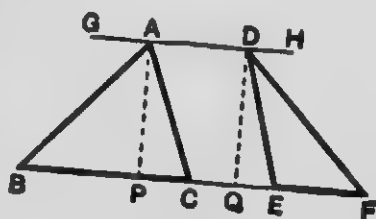
2. The **altitude** (or **height**) of a triangle with reference to a given side as base, is the perpendicular distance of the opposite vertex from the base.

**NOTE.** It is clear that *parallelograms or triangles which are between the same parallels have the same altitude.*

For let  $AP$  and  $DQ$  be the altitudes of the  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $DEF$ , which are between the same parallels  $BF$ ,  $GH$ .

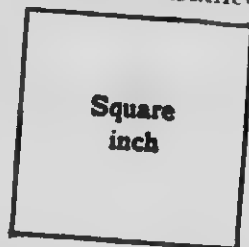
Then the fig.  $APQD$  is evidently a rectangle;

$$\therefore AP = DQ.$$

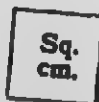


3. The **area** of a figure is the amount of surface contained within its bounding lines.

4. A **square inch** is the area of a square drawn on a side one inch in length.



5. Similarly a **square centimetre** is the area of a square drawn on a side one centimetre in length.

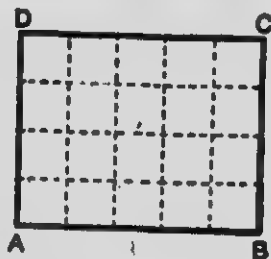


The terms *square yard*, *square foot*, *square metre* are to be understood in the same sense.

6. Thus the **unit of area** is the area of a square on a side of unit length.

## THEOREM 23

**Area of a rectangle.** *If the number of units in the length of a rectangle is multiplied by the number of units in its breadth the product gives the number of square units in the area.*



Let  $ABCD$  represent a rectangle whose length  $AB$  is 5 feet, and whose breadth  $AD$  is 4 feet.

Divide  $AB$  into 5 equal parts, and  $BC$  into 4 equal parts, and through the points of division draw parallels to the sides.

The rectangle  $ABCD$  is now divided into compartments, each of which represents one square foot.

Now there are 4 rows, each containing 5 squares,

$\therefore$  the rectangle contains  $5 \times 4$  square feet.

Similarly, if the length =  $a$  linear units, and the breadth =  $b$  linear units,

*the rectangle contains  $ab$  units of area.*

And if each side of a square =  $a$  linear units,

*the square contains  $a^2$  units of area.*

These statements may be thus abridged :

*the area of a rectangle = length  $\times$  breadth.....(i),*

*the area of a square = (side) $^2$ .....(ii).*

Q.E.D.

**COROLLARIES.** (i) *Rectangles which have equal lengths and equal breadths have equal areas.*

(ii) *Rectangles which have equal areas and equal lengths have also equal breadths.*



## NOTATION

The rectangle  $ABCD$  is said to be **contained** by  $AB, AD$ ; for these adjacent sides fix its size and shape.

A rectangle whose adjacent sides are  $AB, AD$  is denoted by *rect.  $AB, AD$* , or by  $AB, AD$ .

A square drawn on the side  $AB$  is denoted by *sq. on  $AB$* , or by  $AB^2$ .

## EXERCISES

(On Tables of Length and Area)

1. Draw a figure to shew *why*
  - (i) 1 sq. yard =  $3^2$  sq. feet.
  - (ii) 1 sq. foot =  $12^2$  sq. inches.
  - (iii) 1 sq. cm. =  $10^2$  sq. mm.
2. Draw a figure to shew that the square on a straight line is four times the square on half the line.
3. Use squared paper to shew that the square on 1" =  $10^2$  times the square on 0.1".
4. If 1" represents 5 miles, what does an area of 6 square inches represent?

## EXTENSION OF THEOREM 23

The proof of Theorem 23 here given supposes that the length and breadth of the given rectangle are expressed by *whole numbers*; but the formula holds good when the length and breadth are fractional.

This may be illustrated thus:

Suppose the length and breadth are 3.2 cm. and 2.4 cm.; we shall shew that the area is  $(3.2 \times 2.4)$  sq. cm.

For

$$\text{length} = 3.2 \text{ cm.} = 32 \text{ mm.}$$

$$\text{breadth} = 2.4 \text{ cm.} = 24 \text{ mm.}$$

$$\therefore \text{area} = (32 \times 24) \text{ sq. mm.} = \frac{32 \times 24}{10^2} \text{ sq. cm.}$$

$$= (3.2 \times 2.4) \text{ sq. cm.}$$

## EXERCISES

*(On the Area of a Rectangle)*

Draw on squared paper the rectangles of which the length ( $a$ ) and breadth ( $b$ ) are given below. Calculate the areas, and verify by the actual counting of squares.

- |                                |                                |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. $a = 2''$ , $b = 3''$ .     | 2. $a = 1.5''$ , $b = 4''$ .   |
| 3. $a = 0.8''$ , $b = 3.5''$ . | 4. $a = 2.5''$ , $b = 1.4''$ . |
| 5. $a = 2.2''$ , $b = 1.5''$ . | 6. $a = 1.6''$ , $b = 2.1''$ . |

Calculate the areas of the rectangles in which

- |                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| 7. $a = 18$ metres, $b = 11$ metres. | 8. $a = 7$ ft., $b = 72$ in.              |
| 9. $a = 2.5$ km., $b = 4$ metres.    | 10. $a = \frac{1}{4}$ mile, $b = 1$ inch. |

11. The area of a rectangle is 30 sq. cm., and its length is 6 cm. Find the breadth. Draw the rectangle on squared paper; and verify your work by counting the squares.

12. Find the length of a rectangle whose area is 3.9 sq. in., and breadth 1.5". Draw the rectangle on squared paper; and verify your work by counting the squares.

13. (i) When you treble the length of a rectangle without altering its breadth, how many times do you multiply the area?

(ii) When you treble both length and breadth, how many times do you multiply the area?

Draw a figure to illustrate your answers; and state a general rule.

14. In a plan of a rectangular garden the length and breadth are 3.6" and 2.5", one inch standing for 10 yards. Find the area of the garden.

If the area is increased by 300 sq. yds., the breadth remaining the same, what will the new length be? And how many inches will represent it on your plan?

15. Find the area of a rectangular enclosure of which a plan (scale 1 cm. to 20 metres) measures 6.5 cm. by 4.5 cm.

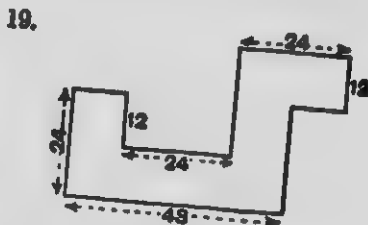
16. The area of a rectangle is 1440 sq. yds. If in a plan the sides of the rectangle are 3.2 cm. and 4.5 cm., on what scale is the plan drawn?

17. The area of a rectangular field is 52,000 sq. ft. On a plan of this, drawn to the scale of 1" to 100 ft., the length is 3.25". What is the breadth?

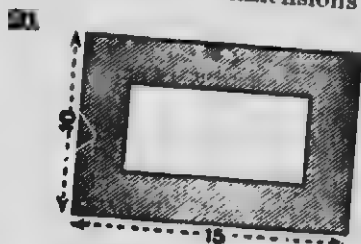
# EXERCISES ON RECTANGLES

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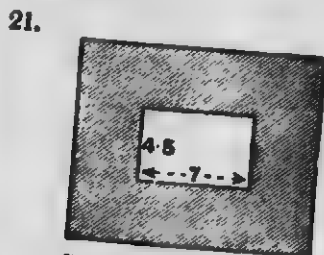
Calculate the areas of the enclosures of which plans are given below. All the angles are right angles, and the dimensions are marked in feet.



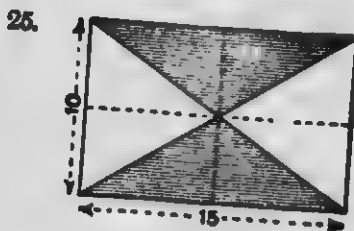
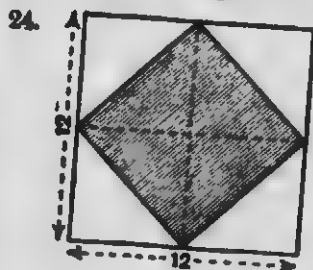
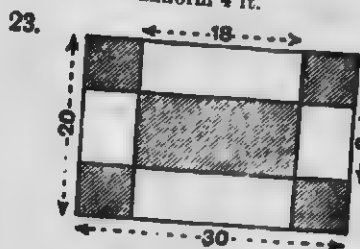
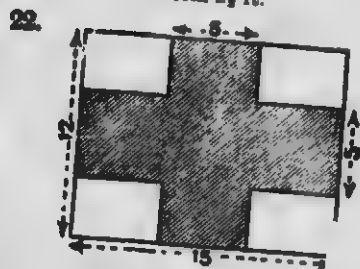
Calculate the areas represented by the shaded parts of the following plans. The dimensions are marked in feet.



Width of shaded border uniform  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ft.

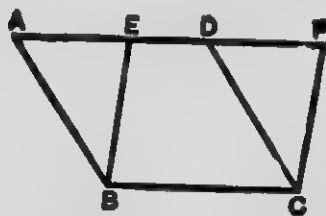


Width of shaded border uniform 4 ft.



## THEOREM 24. [Euclid I. 35]

*Parallelograms on the same base and between the same parallels are equal in area.*



Let the  $\text{par}^m$   $ABCD$ ,  $EBCF$  be on the same base  $BC$ , and between the same  $\text{par}^s$   $BC$ ,  $AF$ .

*It is required to prove that*

*the  $\text{par}^m$   $ABCD$  = the  $\text{par}^m$   $EBCF$  in area.*

**Proof.**

In the  $\triangle FDC$ ,  $EAB$ ,

$DC$  = the opp. side  $AB$  ; *Theor.* 21.

because  $\begin{cases} \text{the ext. } \angle FDC = \text{the int. opp. } \angle EAB ; \text{Theor. 14.} \\ \text{the int. } \angle DFC = \text{the ext. } \angle AEB ; \\ \therefore \text{the } \triangle FDC = \text{the } \triangle EAB. \end{cases}$

*Theor.* 17.

Now, if from the whole fig.  $ABCF$  the  $\triangle FDC$  is taken, the remainder is the  $\text{par}^m$   $ABCD$ .

And if from the whole fig.  $ABCF$  the  $\triangle EAB$  is taken, the remainder is the  $\text{par}^m$   $EBCF$ .

$\therefore$  these remainders are equal ;

that is, the  $\text{par}^m$   $ABCD$  = the  $\text{par}^m$   $EBCF$ . Q.E.D.

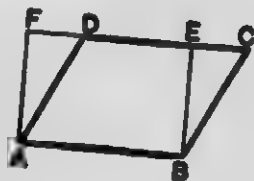
## EXERCISE

In the above diagram the sides  $AD$ ,  $EF$  overlap. Draw diagrams in which (i) these sides do not overlap ; (ii) the ends  $E$  and  $D$  coincide.

Go through the proof with these diagrams, and ascertain if it applies to them without change.

# THE AREA OF A PARALLELOGRAM

Let  $ABCD$  be a parallelogram, and  $ABEF$  the rectangle on the same base  $AB$  and of the same altitude  $BE$ . Then by Theorem 24,  
 $\text{area of par}^m ABCD = \text{area of rect. } ABEF$   
 $= AB \times BE$   
 $= \text{base} \times \text{altitude}.$



**COROLLARY.** Since the area of a parallelogram depends only on its base and altitude, it follows that  
*Parallelograms on equal bases and of equal altitudes are equal in area.*

## EXERCISES

*(Numerical and Graphical)*

1. Find the area of parallelograms in which
  - (i) the base = 5.5 cm., and the height = 4 cm.
  - (ii) the base = 2.4", and the height = 1.5".
2. Draw a parallelogram  $ABCD$  having given  $AB = 2\frac{1}{4}"$ ,  $AD = 1\frac{1}{4}"$ , and the  $\angle A = 65^\circ$ . Draw and measure the perpendicular from  $D$  on  $AB$ , and hence calculate the approximate area. Why approximate?

Again calculate the area from the length of  $AD$  and the perpendicular on it from  $B$ . Obtain the average of the two results.

3. Two adjacent sides of a parallelogram are 30 metres and 25 metres, and the included angle is  $50^\circ$ . Draw a plan, 1 cm. representing 5 metres; and by measuring each altitude, make two independent calculations of the area. Give the average result.
4. The area of a parallelogram  $ABCD$  is 4.2 sq. in., and the base  $AB$  is 2.8". Find the height. If  $AD = 2"$ , draw the parallelogram.
5. Each side of a rhombus is 2", and its area is 3.86 sq. in. Calculate an altitude. Hence draw the rhombus, and measure one of its acute angles.

## THEOREM 25

**The Area of a Triangle.** *The area of a triangle is half the area of the rectangle on the same base and having the same altitude.*

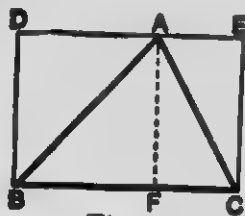


Fig. 1.

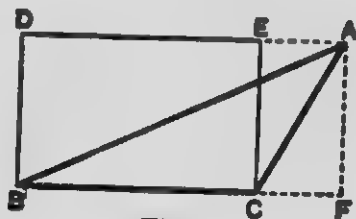


Fig. 2.

Let  $ABC$  be a triangle, and  $BDEC$  a rectangle on the same base  $BC$  and with the same altitude  $AF$ .

*It is required to prove that the  $\triangle ABC$  is half the rectangle  $BDEC$ .*

**Proof.** Since  $AF$  is perp. to  $BC$ , each of the figures  $DF$ ,  $EF$  is a rectangle.

Because the diagonal  $AB$  bisects the rectangle  $DF$ ,  
 $\therefore$  the  $\triangle ABF$  is half the rectangle  $DF$ .

Similarly, the  $\triangle AFC$  is half the rectangle  $FE$ .

$\therefore$  adding these results in Fig. 1, and taking the difference in Fig. 2,

the  $\triangle ABC$  is half the rectangle  $BDEC$ .

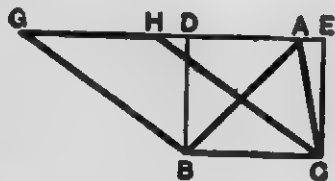
Q.E.D.

**COROLLARY.** *A triangle is half any parallelogram on the same base and between the same parallels.*

For the  $\triangle ABC$  is half the rect.  $BCED$ .

And the rect.  $BCED$  = any par<sup>m</sup>  $BCHG$  on the same base and between the same par<sup>ls</sup>.

$\therefore$  the  $\triangle ABC$  is half the par<sup>m</sup>  $BCHG$ .



## THE AREA OF A TRIANGLE

If  $BC$  and  $AF$  respectively contain  $a$  units and  $p$  units of length, the rectangle  $BDEC$  contains  $ap$  units of area.

$\therefore$  the area of the  $\triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2} ap$  units of area.

This result may be stated thus :

*Area of a Triangle* =  $\frac{1}{2}$  base  $\times$  altitude.

## EXERCISES ON THE AREA OF A TRIANGLE

(Numerical and Graphical)

- Calculate the areas of the triangles in which
  - the base = 24 ft., the height = 15 ft.
  - the base = 4.8", the height = 3.5".
  - the base = 160 metres, the height = 125 metres.

2. Draw triangles from the following data. In each case draw and measure the altitude with reference to a given side as base; hence calculate the approximate area.

- $a = 8.4$  cm.,  $b = 6.8$  cm.,  $c = 4.0$  cm.
- $b = 5.0$  cm.,  $c = 6.8$  cm.,  $A = 65^\circ$ .
- $a = 6.5$  cm.,  $B = 52^\circ$ ,  $C = 76^\circ$ .

3.  $ABC$  is a triangle right-angled at  $C$ ; shew that its area =  $\frac{1}{2} BC \times CA$ .

Given  $a = 6$  cm.,  $b = 5$  cm., calculate the area.

Draw the triangle and measure the hypotenuse  $c$ ; draw and measure the perpendicular from  $C$  on the hypotenuse; hence calculate the approximate area.

Note the error in your approximate result, and express it as a percentage of the true value.

4. Repeat the whole process of the last question for a right-angled triangle  $ABC$ , in which  $a = 2.8''$  and  $b = 4.5''$ ;  $C$  being the right angle as before.

5. In a triangle, given

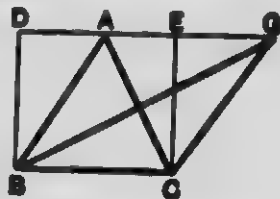
- Area = 80 sq. in., base = 1 ft. 8 in.; calculate the altitude.
- Area = 10.4 sq. cm., altitude = 1.6 cm.; calculate the base.

6. Construct a triangle  $ABC$ , having given  $a = 3.0''$ ,  $b = 2.8''$ ,  $c = 2.6''$ . Draw and measure the perpendicular from  $A$  on  $BC$ ; hence calculate the approximate area.

## THEOREM 26. [Euclid I. 37]

*Triangles on the same base and between the same parallels (hence, of the same altitude) are equal in area.*

Let the  $\triangle ABC, GBC$  be on the same base  $BC$  and between the same par<sup>l</sup>  $BC, AG$ .



*It is required to prove that*

*the  $\triangle ABC =$  the  $\triangle GBC$  in area.*

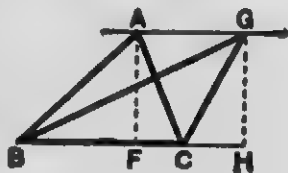
**Proof.** If  $BCED$  is the rectangle on the base  $BC$ , and between the same parallels as the given triangles, the  $\triangle ABC$  is half the rect.  $BCED$ ; *Theor. 25.* also the  $\triangle GBC$  is half the rect.  $BCED$ ;  $\therefore$  the  $\triangle ABC =$  the  $\triangle GBC$ . Q.E.D.

*Similarly, triangles on equal bases and of equal altitudes are equal in area.*

## THEOREM 27. [Euclid I. 39]

*If two triangles are equal in area, and stand on the same base and on the same side of it, they are between the same parallels.*

Let the  $\triangle ABC, GBC$ , standing on the same base  $BC$ , be equal in area; and let  $AF$  and  $GH$  be their altitudes.



*It is required to prove that  $AG$  and  $BC$  are par<sup>l</sup>.*

**Proof.** The  $\triangle ABC$  is half the rectangle contained by  $BC$  and  $AF$ ; and the  $\triangle GBC$  is half the rectangle contained by  $BC$  and  $GH$ ;

$\therefore$  the rect.  $BC, AF =$  the rect.  $BC, GH$ ;

$\therefore AF = GH$ . *Theor. 23, Cor. 2.*

Also  $AF$  and  $GH$  are par<sup>l</sup>;

hence  $AG$  and  $FH$ , that is  $BC$ , are par<sup>l</sup>. Q.E.D.



## EXERCISES ON THE AREA OF A TRIANGLE

(Theoretical)

1.  $ABC$  is a triangle and  $XY$  is drawn parallel to the base  $BC$ , meeting the other sides at  $X$  and  $Y$ . Join  $BY$  and  $CX$ ; and shew that

- (i) the  $\triangle XBC = \text{the } \triangle YBC$ ;
- (ii) the  $\triangle BXY = \triangle CXY$ ;
- (iii) the  $\triangle ABY = \text{the } \triangle ACX$ .

If  $BY$  and  $CX$  cut at  $K$ , shew that

- (iv) the  $\triangle BKX = \text{the } \triangle CKY$ .

2. Shew that a median of a triangle divides it into two parts of equal area.

How would you divide a triangle into *three* equal parts by straight lines drawn from its vertex?

3. Prove that a parallelogram is divided by its diagonals into four triangles of equal area.

4.  $ABC$  is a triangle whose base  $BC$  is bisected at  $X$ . If  $Y$  is any point in the median  $AX$ , shew that the  $\triangle ABY = \text{the } \triangle ACY$  in area.

5. If  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram, and  $BP$ ,  $DQ$  are the perpendiculars from  $B$  and  $D$  on the diagonal  $AC$ , then  $BP = DQ$ . Also if  $X$  is any point in  $AC$ , or  $AC$  produced,

- (i) the  $\triangle ADX = \text{the } \triangle ABX$ ;
- (ii) the  $\triangle CDX = \text{the } \triangle CBX$ .

6. The straight line joining the middle points of two sides of a triangle is parallel to the third side. (Use Theorems 26 and 27.)

7. The straight line which joins the middle points of the oblique sides of a trapezium is parallel to each of the parallel sides.

8.  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram, and  $X$ ,  $Y$  are the middle points of the sides  $AD$ ,  $BC$ ; if  $Z$  is any point in  $XY$ , or  $XY$  produced, shew that the triangle  $AZB$  is one quarter of the parallelogram  $ABCD$ .

9. If  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram, and  $X$ ,  $Y$  any points in  $DC$  and  $AD$  respectively, the triangles  $AXB$ ,  $BYC$  are equal in area.

10. If  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram, and  $P$  is any point within it, the sum of the triangles  $PAB$ ,  $PCD$  is equal to half the parallelogram.

## EXERCISES ON THE AREA OF A TRIANGLE

(Numerical and Graphical)

1. The sides of a triangular field are 370 yds., 200 yds., and 190 yds. Draw a plan (scale 1" to 100 yards). Draw and measure an altitude; calculate the approximate area of the field in square yards.
2. Two sides of a triangular enclosure are 124 metres and 144 metres respectively, and the included angle is observed to be  $45^\circ$ . Draw a plan (scale 1 cm. to 20 metres). Make any necessary measurement, and calculate the approximate area.
3. If in a triangle  $ABC$ , the area = 6.6 sq. cm., and the base  $BC = 5.5$  cm., find the altitude. Hence determine the locus of  $A$ . If also,  $BA = 2.6$  cm., draw the triangle; and measure  $CA$ .
4. In a triangle  $ABC$ , given area = 3.06 sq. in., and  $a = 3.0''$ . Find the altitude, and the locus of  $A$ . Given  $C = 68^\circ$ , construct the triangle; and measure  $b$ .
5. In a triangle  $ABC$ ,  $BC$ ,  $BA$  have constant lengths 3 cm. and 5 cm.;  $BC$  is fixed, and  $BA$  revolves about  $B$ . Trace the changes in the area of the triangle as the angle  $B$  increases from  $0^\circ$  to  $180^\circ$ . Answer by drawing a series of triangles, increasing  $B$  by increments of  $30^\circ$ . Find their areas and tabulate the results.

(Theoretical)

6. If two triangles have two sides of one respectively equal to two sides of the other, and the angles contained by those sides supplementary, shew that the triangles are equal in area. Can such triangles ever be identically equal?
7. Shew how to draw on the base of a given triangle an isosceles triangle of equal area.
8. If the middle points of the sides of a quadrilateral are joined in order, prove that the parallelogram so formed [see Ex. 7, p. 64] is half the quadrilateral.
9.  $ABC$  is a triangle, and  $R$ ,  $Q$  the middle points of the sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$ ; shew that if  $BQ$  and  $CR$  intersect in  $X$ , the triangle  $BXC$  is equal to the quadrilateral  $AQXR$ .
10. Two triangles of equal area stand on the same base but on opposite sides of it: shew that the straight line joining their vertices is bisected by the base, or by the base produced.

[The method given below may be omitted from a first course. In any case it must be postponed till Theorem 29 has been read.]

**The Area of a Triangle.** Given the three sides of a triangle, to calculate the area.

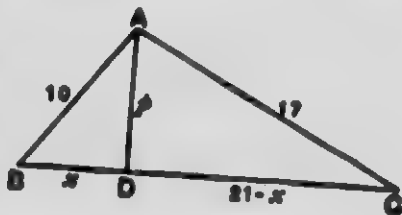
**EXAMPLE.** Find the area of a triangle whose sides measure 21 m., 17 m., and 10 m.

Let  $ABC$  represent the given triangle.

Draw  $AD$  perp. to  $BC$ , and denote  $AD$  by  $p$ .

We shall first find the length of  $BD$ .

Let  $BD = x$  metres; then  $DC = 21 - x$  metres.



From the right-angled  $\triangle ADB$ , we have by Theorem 29

$$AD^2 = AB^2 - BD^2 = 10^2 - x^2.$$

And from the right-angled  $\triangle ADC$ ,

$$AD^2 = AC^2 - DC^2 = 17^2 - (21 - x)^2;$$

$$\therefore 10^2 - x^2 = 17^2 - (21 - x)^2$$

$$100 - x^2 = 289 - 441 + 42x - x^2;$$

$$x = 6.$$

or,

whence

Again,

$$AD^2 = AB^2 - BD^2;$$

$$p^2 = 10^2 - 6^2 = 64;$$

$$\therefore p = 8.$$

Now Area of triangle =  $\frac{1}{2}$  base  $\times$  altitude

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 21 \times 8\right) \text{ sq. m.} = 84 \text{ sq. m.}$$

### EXERCISES

Find the area of the triangles, whose sides are as follows:

1. 20 ft., 13 ft., 11 ft.
2. 15 yds., 14 yds., 13 yds.
3. 21 m., 20 m., 13 m.
4. 30 cm., 25 cm., 11 cm.
5. 37 ft., 30 ft., 13 ft.
6. 51 m., 37 m., 20 m.
7. If the given sides are  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  units in length, prove

(i)  $x = \frac{a^2 + c^2 - b^2}{2a};$

(ii)  $p^2 = c^2 - \left\{ \frac{a^2 + c^2 - b^2}{2a} \right\}^2;$

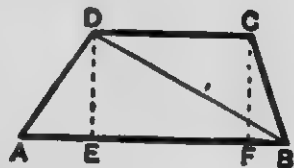
(iii)  $\Delta = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{(a+b+c)(-a+b+c)(a-b+c)(a+b-c)}$

## THE AREA OF QUADRILATERALS

## THEOREM 28

To find the area of (i) a trapezium.  
(ii) any quadrilateral.

(i) Let  $ABCD$  be a trapezium, having the sides  $AB$ ,  $CD$  parallel. Join  $BD$ , and from  $C$  and  $D$  draw perpendiculars  $CF$ ,  $DE$  to  $AB$ .



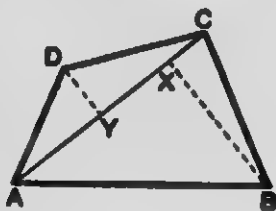
Let the parallel sides  $AB$ ,  $CD$  measure  $a$  and  $b$  units of length, and let the height  $CF$  contain  $h$  units.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then the area of } ABCD &= \triangle ABD + \triangle DBC \\ &= \frac{1}{2} AB \cdot DE + \frac{1}{2} DC \cdot CF \\ &= \frac{1}{2} ah + \frac{1}{2} bh = \frac{h}{2}(a + b).\end{aligned}$$

That is,

the area of a trapezium =  $\frac{1}{2}$  height  $\times$  (the sum of the parallel sides).

(ii) Let  $ABCD$  be any quadrilateral. Draw a diagonal  $AC$ ; and from  $B$  and  $D$  draw perpendiculars  $BX$ ,  $DY$  to  $AC$ . These perpendiculars are called offsets.



If  $AC$  contains  $d$  units of length, and  $BX$ ,  $DY$   $p$  and  $q$  units respectively,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{the area of the quad } ABCD &= \triangle ABC + \triangle ADC \\ &= \frac{1}{2} AC \cdot BX + \frac{1}{2} AC \cdot DY \\ &= \frac{1}{2} dp + \frac{1}{2} dq = \frac{1}{2} d(p + q).\end{aligned}$$

That is to say,

the area of a quadrilateral =  $\frac{1}{2}$  diagonal  $\times$  (sum of offsets).

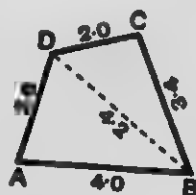
EXERCISES

(Numerical and Graphical)

1. Find the area of the trapezium in which the two parallel sides are 4.7" and 3.3", and the height 1.5".
2. In a quadrilateral  $ABCD$ , the diagonal  $AC = 17$  feet; and the offsets from it to  $B$  and  $D$  are 11 feet and 9 feet. Find the area.
3. In a plan  $ABCD$  of a quadrilateral enclosure, the diagonal  $AC$  measures 8.2 cm., and the offsets from it to  $B$  and  $D$  are 3.4 cm. and 2.6 cm. respectively. If 1 cm. in the plan represents 5 metres, find the area of the enclosure.

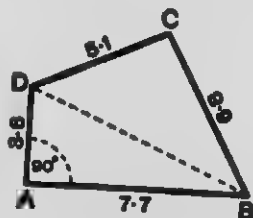
4. Draw a quadrilateral  $ABCD$  from the adjoining rough plan, the dimensions being given in inches.

Draw and measure the offsets to  $A$  and  $C$  from the diagonal  $BD$ ; and hence calculate the area of the quadrilateral.



5. Draw a quadrilateral  $ABCD$  from the details given in the adjoining plan. The dimensions are to be in centimetres.

Make any necessary measurements of your figure, and calculate its area.



6. Draw a trapezium  $ABCD$  from the following data:  $AB$  and  $CD$  are the parallel sides.  $AB = 4''$ ;  $AD = BC = 2''$ ; the  $\angle A = 60^\circ$ .

Make any necessary measurements, and calculate the area.

7. Draw a trapezium  $ABCD$  in which  $AB$  and  $CD$  are the parallel sides; and  $AB = 9$  cm.,  $CD = 3$  cm., and  $AD = BC = 5$  cm.

Make any necessary measurement, and calculate the area.

8. From the formula  $\text{area of quad.} = \frac{1}{2} \text{diag.} \times (\text{sum of offsets})$  shew that, if the diagonals are at right angles,

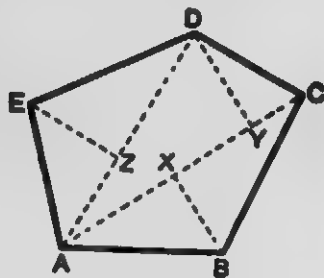
$$\text{area} = \frac{1}{2} (\text{product of diagonals}).$$

9. Given the lengths of the diagonals of a quadrilateral, and the angle between them, prove that the area is the same wherever they intersect.

## THE AREA OF ANY RECTILINEAL FIGURE

**1ST METHOD.** A rectilinear figure may be divided into triangles whose areas can be separately calculated from suitable measurements. The sum of these areas will be the area of the given figure.

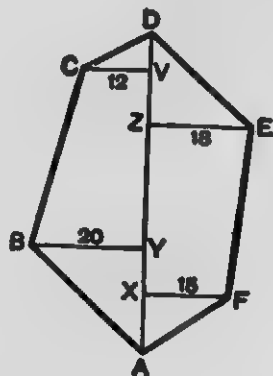
*Example.* The measurements required to find the area of the figure  $ABCDE$  are  $AC$ ,  $AD$ , and the offsets  $BX$ ,  $DY$ ,  $EZ$ .



**2D METHOD.** The area of a rectilinear figure is also found by taking a **base-line** ( $AD$  in the diagram below) and offsets from it. These divide the figure into *right-angled* triangles and *right-angled* trapeziums, whose areas may be found after measuring the offsets and the various sections of the base-line.

*Example.* Find the area of the enclosure  $ABCDEF$  from the plan and measurements tabulated below.

	YARDS.	
$VC = 12$	$AD = 56$	
	$AV = 50$	
$YB = 20$	$AZ = 40$	$ZE = 18$
	$AY = 18$	
	$AX = 10$	$XF = 15$

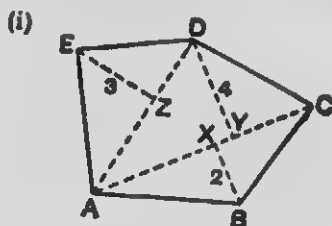


The measurements are made from  $A$  along the base-line to the points from which the offsets spring.

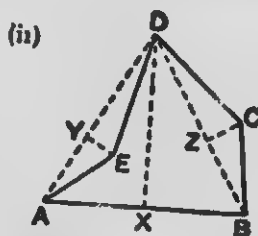
$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Here } \triangle AXF &= \frac{1}{2} AX \times XF &= \frac{1}{2} \times 10 \times 15 &= 75 \text{ sq. yds} \\
 \triangle AYB &= \frac{1}{2} AY \times YB &= \frac{1}{2} \times 18 \times 20 &= 180 \\
 \triangle DZE &= \frac{1}{2} DZ \times ZE &= \frac{1}{2} \times 16 \times 18 &= 144 \\
 \triangle DVC &= \frac{1}{2} DV \times VC &= \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 12 &= 36 \\
 \text{trap}^m XFEZ &= \frac{1}{2} XZ \times (XF + ZE) &= \frac{1}{2} \times 30 \times 33 &= 495 \\
 \text{trap}^m YBCV &= \frac{1}{2} YV \times (YB + VC) &= \frac{1}{2} \times 32 \times 32 &= 512 \\
 \therefore, \text{ by addition, the fig. } ABCDEF &= &&= 1442 \text{ sq. yds.}
 \end{aligned}$$

EXERCISES

1. Calculate the areas of the figures (i) and (ii) from the plans and dimensions (in cms.) given below.

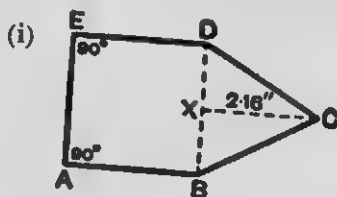


$AC=6$  cm.,  $AD=5$  cm.  
Lengths of offsets figured  
in diagram.

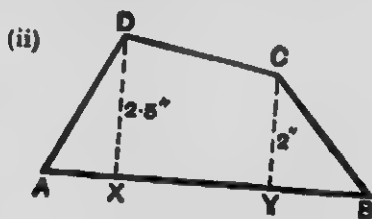


$AB=BD=DA=6$  cm.  
 $EY=CZ=1$  cm.  
 $DX=5.2$  cm.

2. Draw full size the figures whose plans and dimensions are given below; and calculate the area in each case.



The fig. is equilateral:  
each side to be  $2\frac{1}{4}$ ".

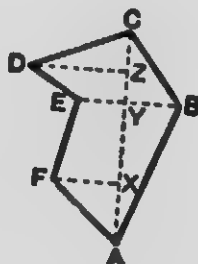


$AX=1\frac{1}{4}$ ",  $XY=2\frac{1}{4}$ ",  
 $YB=1\frac{1}{4}$ ".

3. Find the area of the figure  $ABCDEF$  from the following measurements and draw a plan in which 1 cm. represents 20 metres.

METRES.		
	to C	
	180	
80 to D	150	
40 to E	120	
60 to F	50	50 to B
	From A	

THE PLAN.



## EXERCISES ON QUADRILATERALS

(Theoretical)

1.  $ABCD$  is a rectangle, and  $PQRS$  the figure formed by joining in order the middle points of the sides.

Prove (i) that  $PQRS$  is a rhombus;

(ii) that the area of  $PQRS$  is half that of  $ABCD$ .

Hence shew that the area of a rhombus is half the product of its diagonals.

Is this true of any quadrilateral whose diagonals cut at right angles? Illustrate your answer by a diagram.

2. Prove that a parallelogram is bisected by any straight line which passes through the middle point of one of its diagonals.

Hence shew how a parallelogram  $ABCD$  may be bisected by a straight line drawn

(i) through a given point  $P$ ;

(ii) perpendicular to the side  $AB$ ;

(iii) parallel to a given line  $QR$ .

3. In the trapezium  $ABCD$ ,  $AB$  is parallel to  $DC$ ; and  $X$  is the middle point of  $BC$ . Through  $X$  draw  $PQ$  parallel to  $AD$  to meet  $AB$  and  $DC$  produced at  $P$  and  $Q$ . Then prove

(i) trapezium  $ABCD = \text{par}^m APQD$ .

(ii) trapezium  $ABCD = \text{twice the } \triangle AXD$ .

(Graphical)

4. The diagonals of a quadrilateral  $ABCD$  cut at right angles, and measure  $3.0''$  and  $2.2''$  respectively. Find the area.

Shew by a figure that the area is the same wherever the diagonals cut, so long as they are at right angles.

5. In the parallelogram  $ABCD$ ,  $AB = 8.0 \text{ cm.}$ ,  $AD = 3.2 \text{ cm.}$ , and the perpendicular distance between  $AB$  and  $DC = 3.0 \text{ cm.}$  Draw the parallelogram. Calculate the distance between  $AD$  and  $BC$ ; and check your result by measurement.

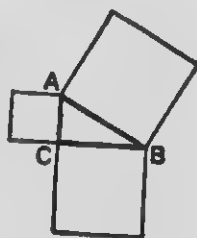
6. One side of a parallelogram is  $2.5''$ , and its diagonals are  $3.4''$  and  $2.4''$ . Construct the parallelogram; and, after making any necessary measurement, calculate the area.

7.  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram on a fixed base  $AB$  and of constant area. Find the locus of the intersection of its diagonals.



## EXERCISES LEADING TO THEOREM 29

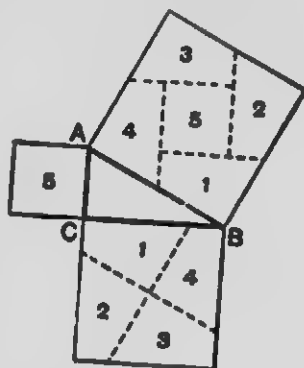
In the adjoining diagram,  $ABC$  is a triangle right-angled at  $C$ ; and squares are drawn on the three sides. Let us compare the area of the square on the hypotenuse  $AB$  with the sum of the squares on the sides  $AC$ ,  $CB$  which contain the right angle.



1. Draw the above diagram, making  $AC = 3$  cm.,  $BC = 4$  cm.; Then the area of the square on  $AC = 3^2$ , or 9 sq. cm. }  
and ..... the square on  $BC = 4^2$ , or 16 sq. cm. }  
 $\therefore$  the sum of the squares on  $AC$ ,  $BC = 25$  sq. cm.  
Now measure  $AB$ ; hence calculate the area of the square on  $AB$ , and compare the result with the sum already obtained.
2. Repeat the above process, making  $AC = 1.0''$ ,  $BC = 2.4''$ .
3. If  $a = 15$ ,  $b = 8$ ,  $c = 17$ , shew arithmetically that  $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$ .  
Now draw on squared paper a triangle  $ABC$ , whose sides  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are 15, 8, and 17 units of length; and measure the angle  $ACB$ .

4. Take any triangle  $ABC$ , right-angled at  $C$ ; and draw squares on  $AC$ ,  $CB$ , and on the hypotenuse  $AB$ .

Through the mid-point of the square on  $CB$  (i.e. the intersection of the diagonals) draw lines parallel and perpendicular to the hypotenuse, thus dividing the square into four congruent quadrilaterals. These, together with the square on  $AC$ , will be found exactly to fit into the square on  $AB$ , in the way indicated by corresponding numbers.



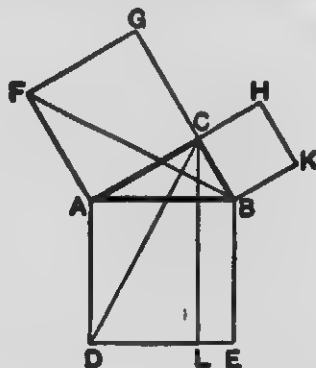
These experiments point to the conclusion that :

*In any right-angled triangle the square on the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares on the other two sides.*

A formal proof of this theorem is given on the next page.

## THEOREM 29. [Euclid I. 47]

*In a right-angled triangle the square described on the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares described on the other two sides.*



Let  $ABC$  be a right-angled  $\triangle$ , having the angle  $ACB$  a rt.  $\angle$ .

*It is required to prove that the square on the hypotenuse  $AB$  = the sum of the squares on  $AC$ ,  $CB$ .*

On  $AB$  describe the sq.  $ADEB$ ; and on  $AC$ ,  $CB$  describe the sqq.  $ACGF$ ,  $CBKH$ .

Through  $C$  draw  $CL$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $AD$  or  $BE$ .

Join  $CD$ ,  $FB$ .

**Proof.** Because each of the  $\angle$   $ACB$ ,  $ACG$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ,  
 $\therefore BC$  and  $CG$  are in the same st. line.

Now the rt.  $\angle$   $BAD$  = the rt.  $\angle$   $FAC$ ;

add to each the  $\angle$   $CAB$  :

then the whole  $\angle$   $CAD$  = the whole  $\angle$   $FAB$ .

Then in the  $\triangle$   $CAD$ ,  $FAB$ ,

$CA = FA$ ,

$AD = AB$ ,

because { and the included  $\angle$   $CAD$  = the included  $\angle$   $FAB$  ;  
 $\therefore$  the  $\triangle$   $CAD$  = the  $\triangle$   $FAB$ .      *Theor. 4.*

Now the rect.  $AL$  is double of the  $\triangle CAD$ , being on the same base  $AD$ , and between the same par<sup>ls</sup>  $AD$ ,  $CL$ .

And the sq.  $GA$  is double of the  $\triangle FAB$ , being on the same base  $FA$ , and between the same par<sup>ls</sup>  $FA$ ,  $GB$ .

$\therefore$  the rect.  $AL$  = the sq.  $GA$ .

Similarly by joining  $CE$ ,  $AK$ , it can be shewn that the rect.  $BL$  = the sq.  $HB$ .

$\therefore$  the whole sq.  $AE$  = the sum of the sqq.  $GA$ ,  $HB$  :  
that is, the square on the hypotenuse  $AB$  = the sum of the squares on the two sides  $AC$ ,  $CB$ .

Q.E.D.

*Obs.* This is known as the Theorem of Pythagoras. The result established may be stated as follows :

$$AB^2 = BC^2 + CA^2.$$

That is, if  $a$  and  $b$  denote the lengths of the sides containing the right angle ; and if  $c$  denotes the hypotenuse,

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2.$$

Hence  $a^2 = c^2 - b^2$  ; and  $b^2 = c^2 - a^2$ .

NOTE 1. The following important results should be noticed.

If  $CL$  and  $AB$  intersect in  $O$ , it has been shewn in the course of the proof that

the sq.  $GA$  = the rect.  $AL$  ;

that is,  $AC^2$  = the rect. contained by  $AB$ ,  $AO$ .....(i)

Also the sq.  $HB$  = the rect.  $BL$  ;

that is,  $BC^2$  = the rect. contained by  $BA$ ,  $BO$ .....(ii)

NOTE 2. It can be proved by superposition that squares standing on equal sides are equal in area.

Also we can prove conversely,

If two squares are equal in area they stand on equal sides.

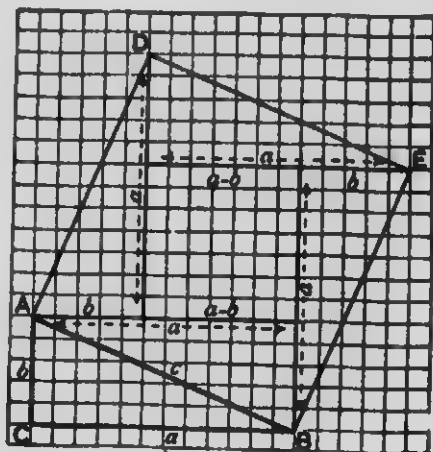
# EXPERIMENTAL PROOFS OF PYTHAGORAS'S THEOREM

I. Here  $ABC$  is the given rt.-angled  $\triangle$ ; and  $ABED$  is the square on the hypotenuse  $AB$ .

By drawing lines par<sup>l</sup> to the sides  $BC$ ,  $CA$ , it is easily seen that the sq.  $BD$  is divided into 4 rt.-angled  $\triangle$ , each identically equal to  $ABC$ , together with a central square.

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sq. on hypotenuse } c &= 4 \text{ rt. } \triangle + \text{the central square} \\ &= 4 \cdot \frac{1}{2} ab + (a-b)^2 \\ &= 2ab + a^2 - 2ab + b^2 \\ &= a^2 + b^2. \end{aligned}$$

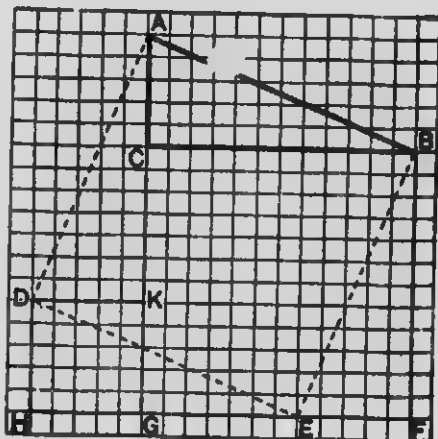


II. Here  $ABC$  is the given rt.-angled  $\triangle$ , and the figs.  $CF$ ,  $HK$  are the sqq. on  $CB$ ,  $CA$  placed side by side.

$FE$  is made equal to  $DH$  or  $CA$ ; and the two sqq.  $CF$ ,  $HK$  are cut along the lines  $BE$ ,  $ED$ .

Then it will be found that the  $\triangle DHE$  may be placed so as to fill up the space  $ACB$ ; and the  $\triangle BFE$  may be made to fill the space  $AKD$ .

Hence the two sqq.  $CF$ ,  $HK$  may be fitted together so as to form the single fig.  $ABED$ , which will be found to be a perfect square, namely the square on the hypotenuse  $AB$ .



## EXERCISES

*(Numerical and Graphical)*

1. Draw a triangle  $ABC$ , right-angled at  $C$ , having given

- (i)  $a = 3$  cm.,  $b = 4$  cm.;  
(ii)  $a = 2.5$  cm.,  $b = 6.0$  cm.;  
(iii)  $a = 1.2''$ ,  $b = 3.5''$ .

In each case calculate the length of the hypotenuse  $c$ , and verify your result by measurement.

2. Draw a triangle  $ABC$ , right-angled at  $C$ , having given:

- (i)  $c = 3.4''$ ,  $a = 3.0''$ ; [See Problem 10]  
(ii)  $c = 5.3$  cm.,  $b = 4.5$  cm.

In each case calculate the remaining side, and verify your result by measurement.

*(The following examples are to be solved by calculation; but in each case a plan should be drawn on some suitable scale, and the calculated result verified by measurement.)*

3. A ladder whose foot is 9 feet from the front of a house reaches to a window-sill 40 feet above the ground. What is the length of the ladder?
4. A ship sails 33 miles due South, and then 56 miles due West. How far is it then from its starting point?
5. Two ships are observed from a signal station to bear respectively N.E.  $6.0$  km. distant, and N.W.  $1.1$  km. distant. How far are they apart?
6. A ladder 65 feet long reaches to a point in the face of a house 63 feet above the ground. How far is the foot from the house?
7.  $B$  is due East of  $A$ , but at an unknown distance.  $C$  is due South of  $B$ , and distant 55 metres. If  $AC$  is 73 metres, find  $AB$ .
8. A man travels 27 miles due South; then 24 miles due West; finally 20 miles due North. How far is he from his starting point?
9. From  $A$  go West 25 metres, then North 60 metres, then East 80 metres, finally South 12 metres. How far are you then from  $A$ ?
10. A ladder 50 feet long is placed so as to reach a window 48 feet high; and on turning the ladder over to the other side of the street, it reaches a point 14 feet high. Find the breadth of the street.

## THEOREM 30. [Euclid I. 48]

*If the square described on one side of a triangle is equal to the sum of the squares described on the other two sides, then the angle contained by these two sides is a right angle.*



Let  $ABC$  be a triangle in which  
the sq. on  $AB$  = the sum of the sqq. on  $BC$ ,  $CA$ .

*It is required to prove that  $ACB$  is a right angle.*

Make  $EF$  equal to  $BC$ .

Draw  $FD$  perp. to  $EF$ , and make  $FD$  equal to  $CA$ .

Join  $ED$ .

**Proof.**

Because  $EF = BC$ ,

$\therefore$  the sq. on  $EF$  = the sq. on  $BC$ .

And because  $FD = CA$ ,

$\therefore$  the sq. on  $FD$  = the sq. on  $CA$ .

Hence the sum of the sqq. on  $EF$ ,  $FD$  = the sum of the sqq. on  $BC$ ,  $CA$ .

But since  $EFD$  is a rt.  $\angle$

$\therefore$  the sum of the sqq. on  $EF$ ,  $FD$  = the sq. on  $DE$ : *Theor. 29.*

And, by hypothesis, the sqq. on  $BC$ ,  $CA$  = the sq. on  $AB$ .

$\therefore$  the sq. on  $DE$  = the sq. on  $AB$ .

$\therefore DE = AB$ .

Then in the  $\triangle ACB$ ,  $DFE$ ,

because  $AC = DF$ ,  $CB = FE$ , and  $AB = DE$ ;

$\therefore$  the  $\angle ACB$  = the  $\angle DFE$ . *Theor. 7.*

But, by construction,  $DFE$  is a right angle;

$\therefore$  the  $\angle ACB$  is a right angle. Q.E.D.

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## EXERCISES ON THEOREMS 20, 30

(Theoretical)

1. Shew that the square on the diagonal of a given square is double of the given square.
2. In the  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AD$  is drawn perpendicular to the base  $BC$ . If the side  $c$  is greater than  $b$ , shew that  $c^2 - b^2 = BD^2 - DC^2$ .
3. If from any point  $O$  within a triangle  $ABC$ , perpendiculars  $OX, OY, OZ$  are drawn to  $BC, CA, AB$  respectively: shew that  $AZ^2 + BX^2 + CY^2 = AY^2 + CX^2 + BZ^2$ .
4.  $ABC$  is a triangle right-angled at  $A$ ; and the sides  $AB, AC$  are intersected by a straight line  $PQ$ , and  $BQ, PC$  are joined. Prove that  $BQ^2 + PC^2 = BC^2 + PQ^2$ .
5. In a right-angled triangle four times the sum of the squares on the medians drawn from the acute angles is equal to five times the square on the hypotenuse.
6. Describe a square equal to the sum of two given squares.
7. Describe a square equal to the difference between two given squares.
8. Divide a straight line into two parts so that the square on one part may be twice the square on the other.
9. Divide a straight line into two parts such that the sum of their squares shall be equal to a given square.

(Numerical and Graphical)

10. Determine which of the following triangles are right-angled :
  - (i)  $a = 14$  cm.,  $b = 48$  cm.,  $c = 50$  cm.;
  - (ii)  $a = 40$  cm.,  $b = 10$  cm.,  $c = 41$  cm.;
  - (iii)  $a = 20$  cm.,  $b = 99$  cm.,  $c = 101$  cm.
11.  $ABC$  is an isosceles triangle right-angled at  $C$ ; deduce from Theorem 29 that  $AB^2 = 2AC^2$ . Illustrate this result graphically by drawing both diagonals of the square on  $AB$ , and one diagonal of the square on  $AC$ . If  $AC = 3C = 2''$ , find  $AB$  to the nearest hundredth of an inch, and verify your calculation by actual construction and measurement.
12. Draw a square on a diagonal of 6 cm. Calculate, and also measure, the length of a side. Find the area.

## PROBLEM 16

To draw squares whose areas shall be respectively twice, three times, four times, . . . , that of a given square.

Hence find graphically approximate values of  $\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\sqrt{3}$ ,  $\sqrt{4}$ ,  $\sqrt{5}$ , . . . .

Take  $OX$ ,  $OY$  at right angles to one another, and from them mark off  $OA$ ,  $OP$ , each one unit of length. Join  $PA$ .



$$\text{Then } PA^2 = OP^2 + OA^2 = 1 + 1 = 2.$$

$$\therefore PA = \sqrt{2}.$$

From  $OX$  mark off  $OB$  equal to  $PA$ , and join  $PB$  ;

$$\text{then } PB^2 = OP^2 + OB^2 = 1 + 2 = 3.$$

$$\therefore PB = \sqrt{3}.$$

From  $OX$  mark off  $OC$  equal to  $PB$ , and join  $PC$  ;

$$\text{then } PC^2 = OP^2 + OC^2 = 1 + 3 = 4.$$

$$\therefore PC = \sqrt{4}.$$

The lengths of  $PA$ ,  $PB$ ,  $PC$  may now be found by measurement ; and by continuing the process we may find  $\sqrt{5}$ ,  $\sqrt{6}$ ,  $\sqrt{7}$ , . . . .

## EXERCISES ON THEOREMS 29, 30 (Continued)

13. Prove the following formula :

$$\text{Diagonal of square} = \text{side} \times \sqrt{2}.$$

Hence find to the nearest centimetre the diagonal of a square on a side of 50 metres.

Draw a plan (scale 1 cm. to 10 metres) and find the result as nearly as you can by measurement.



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14.  $ABC$  is an equilateral triangle of which each side =  $2m$  units, and the perpendicular from any vertex to the opposite side =  $p$ .  
Prove that  $p = m\sqrt{3}$ .

Test this result graphically, when each side = 8 cm.

15. If in a triangle  $a = m^2 - n^2$ ,  $b = 2mn$ ,  $c = m^2 + n^2$ ; prove algebraically that  $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$ .

Hence by giving various numerical value to  $m$  and  $n$ , find sets of numbers representing the sides of right-angled triangles.

16. In a triangle  $ABC$ ,  $AD$  is drawn perpendicular to  $BC$ . Let  $p$  denote the length of  $AD$ .

- (i) If  $a = 25$  cm.,  $p = 12$  cm.,  $BD = 9$  cm.; find  $b$  and  $c$ .  
(ii) If  $b = 41''$ ,  $c = 50''$ ,  $BD = 30''$ ; find  $p$  and  $a$ .

And prove that  $\sqrt{b^2 - p^2} + \sqrt{c^2 - p^2} = a$ .

17. In the triangle  $ABC$ ,  $AD$  is drawn perpendicular to  $BC$ .  
Prove that

$$c^2 - BD^2 = b^2 - CD^2.$$

If  $a = 51$  cm.,  $b = 20$  cm.,  $c = 37$  cm.; find  $BD$ .

Thence find  $p$ , the length of  $AD$ , and the area of the triangle  $ABC$ .

18. Find by the method of the last example the areas of the triangles whose sides are as follows:

- (i)  $a = 17''$ ,  $b = 10''$ ,  $c = 9''$ .  
(ii)  $a = 25$  ft.,  $b = 17$  ft.,  $c = 12$  ft.  
(iii)  $a = 41$  cm.,  $b = 28$  cm.,  $c = 15$  cm.  
(iv)  $a = 40$  yd.,  $b = 37$  yd.,  $c = 13$  yd.

19. A straight rod  $PQ$  slides between two straight rulers  $OX$ ,  $OY$  placed at right angles to one another. In one position of the rod  $OP = 5.6$  cm., and  $OQ = 3.3$  cm. If in another position  $OP = 4.0$  cm., find  $OQ$  graphically; and test the accuracy of your drawing by calculation.

20.  $ABC$  is a triangle right-angled at  $C$ , and  $p$  is the length of the perpendicular from  $C$  on  $AB$ . By expressing the area of the triangle in two ways, shew that

$$pc = ab.$$

Hence deduce

$$\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2}.$$

1. A rectangle  $ABCD$  is said to be contained by two adjacent sides  $AB$ ,  $AD$ ; for these sides fix its size and shape.



A rectangle whose adjacent sides are  $AB$ ,  $AD$  is denoted by the *rect.*  $AB$ ,  $AD$ ; or by  $AB$ ,  $AD$ .

Similarly a square drawn on the side  $AB$  is denoted by the *sq.* on  $AB$ , or  $AB^2$ .

#### GEOMETRICAL ILLUSTRATION OF ALGEBRAIC IDENTITIES.

A. Geometrical illustration of  $(a + b)k = ak + bk$ .

Let  $ST = a$  units of length,  
 $TV = b$  units of length,  
 and  $PS = k$  units of length.



Then Area of  $SP$ ,  $PQ = k(a + b)$  Th. 23.

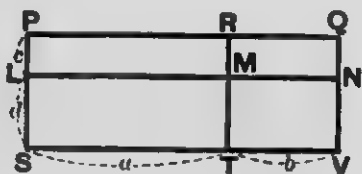
Area of  $SP$ ,  $PR = ka$  Th. 23.

Area of  $TR$ ,  $RQ = kb$  Th. 23.

$$\therefore k(a + b) = ak + bk.$$

B. Geometrical illustration of  $(a + b)(c + d) = ac + ad + bc + bd$ .

Let  $ST = a$  units of length.  
 Let  $TV = b$  units of length.  
 Let  $PL = c$  units of length.  
 And  $LS = d$  units of length.



Then Area of  $SP$ ,  $PQ = (c + d)(a + b)$ . Th. 23.

Area of  $LP$ ,  $PR = ac$  Th. 23.

Area of  $MR$ ,  $RQ = cb$  Th. 23.

Area of  $SL$ ,  $LM = da$  Th. 23.

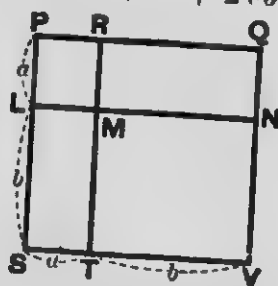
Area of  $TM$ ,  $MN = db$  Th. 23.

$$\therefore (a + b)(c + d) = ac + bc + ad + bd.$$

C. Geometrical illustration of  $(a + b)^2 = a^2 + b^2 + 2ab$ .

The area  $SP, PQ$  = the area  $LP, PR$  + the area  $TM, MN$  + the area  $SL, LM$  + the area  $MR, RQ$ .

Hence  $(a + b)^2 = a^2 + b^2 + 2ab$ .



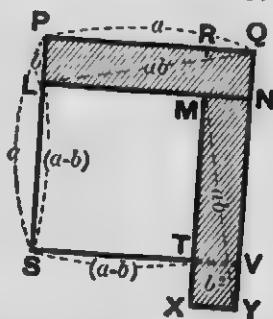
D. Geometrical illustration of  $(a - b)^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab$ .

Let  $PQ = a$  units of length,  
 $RQ = b$  units of length,  
 then  $PR = (a - b)$  units of lengths.

Hence :

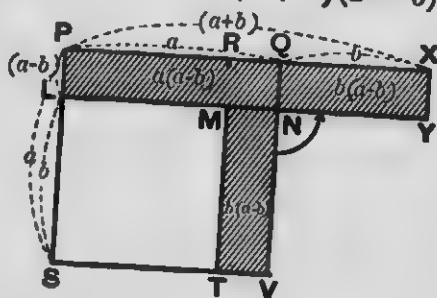
the area  $SL, LM$  = the area  $SP, PQ$   
 + the area  $XT, TV$  - the area  $LP, PQ$   
 $PQ$  - the area  $XM, MN$ .

or  $(a - b)^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab$ .



E. Geometrical illustration of  $a^2 - b^2 = (a + b)(a - b)$ .

Area  $SP, PQ$  -  $SL, LM$   
 = Gnomon  $P, N, T$   
 = the area  $LP, PQ$  +  
 the area  $TM, MN$   
 = the area  $LP, PQ$  +  
 the area  $NQ, QX$   
 = the area  $LP, PX$ .



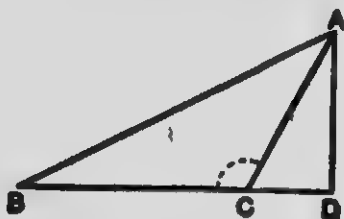
Hence  $a^2 - b^2 = (a - b)(a + b)$ .

### EXERCISES

1. Illustrate  $k(a + b + c + d + e) = ak + bk + ck + dk + ek$ .
2. Illustrate  $(a + b + c)^2 = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2ab + 2ac + 2bc$ .
3. Illustrate A, B and C (above) by paper-folding exercises.

## THEOREM 31. [Euclid II. 12]

*In an obtuse-angled triangle, the square on the side subtending the obtuse angle is equal to the sum of the squares on the sides containing the obtuse angle together with twice the rectangle contained by one of those sides and the projection of the other side upon it.*



Let  $ABC$  be a triangle obtuse-angled at  $C$ ; and let  $AD$  be drawn perp. to  $BC$  produced, so that  $CD$  is the projection of the side  $CA$  on  $BC$ . [See Def. p. 63.]

*It is required to prove that*

$$AB^2 = BC^2 + CA^2 + 2 BC \cdot CD.$$

**Proof.** Because  $BD$  is the sum of the lines  $BC$ ,  $CD$ ,  
 $\therefore BD^2 = BC^2 + CD^2 + 2 BC \cdot CD$ . Page 129, C.

To each of these equals add  $DA^2$ .

Then  $BD^2 + DA^2 = BC^2 + (CD^2 + DA^2) + 2 BC \cdot CD$ .

But  $BD^2 + DA^2 = AB^2$   
 and  $CD^2 + DA^2 = CA^2$  } , for the  $\angle D$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

Hence  $AB^2 = BC^2 + CA^2 + 2 BC \cdot CD$ .

Q.E.D.

THEOREM 32. [Euclid II. 13]

*In every triangle the square on the side subtending an acute angle is equal to the sum of the squares on the sides containing that angle diminished by twice the rectangle contained by one of those sides and the projection of the other side upon it.*

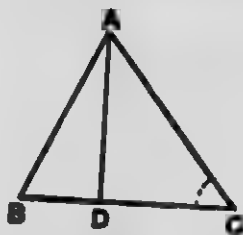


Fig. 1.

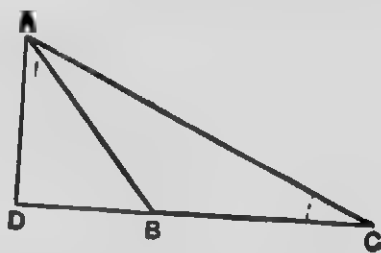


Fig. 2.

Let  $ABC$  be a triangle in which the  $\angle C$  is acute ; and let  $AD$  be drawn perp. to  $BC$ , or  $BC$  produced ; so that  $CD$  is the projection of the side  $CA$  on  $BC$ .

*It is required to prove that*

$$AB^2 = BC^2 + CA^2 - 2 BC \cdot CD.$$

**Proof.** Since in both figures  $BD$  is the difference of the lines  $BC, CD$ ,

$$\therefore BD^2 = BC^2 + CD^2 - 2 BC \cdot CD. \quad \text{Page 129, D}$$

To each of these equals add  $DA^2$ .

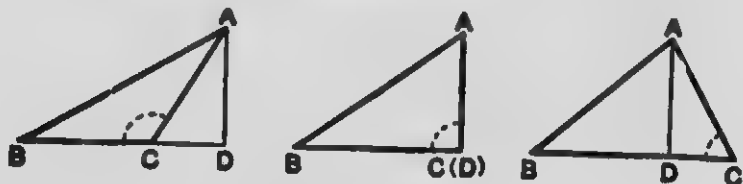
$$\text{Then } BD^2 + DA^2 = BC^2 + (CD^2 + DA^2) - 2 BC \cdot CD \dots (i)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{But } BD^2 + DA^2 = AB^2 \\ \text{and } CD^2 + DA^2 = CA^2 \end{array} \right\}, \text{ for the } \angle D \text{ is a rt. } \angle.$$

$$\text{Hence } AB^2 = BC^2 + CA^2 - 2 BC \cdot CD.$$

Q.E.D.

## SUMMARY OF THEOREMS 29, 31, AND 32.



- (i) If the  $\angle ACB$  is *obtuse*,  
 $AB^2 = BC^2 + CA^2 + 2 BC \cdot CD.$  Theor. 31.
- (ii) If the  $\angle ACB$  is a *right angle*,  
 $AB^2 = BC^2 + CA^2.$  Theor. 29.
- (iii) If the  $\angle ACB$  is *acute*,  
 $AB^2 = BC^2 + CA^2 - 2 BC \cdot CD.$  Theor. 32.

Observe that in (i) or (ii), if the  $\angle ACB$  becomes  $90^\circ$ ,  $AD$  coincides with  $AC$ , and  $CD$  (the projection of  $CA$ ) vanishes; hence, in this case,  $2 BC \cdot CD = 0$ .

Thus the three results may be collected in one enunciation:

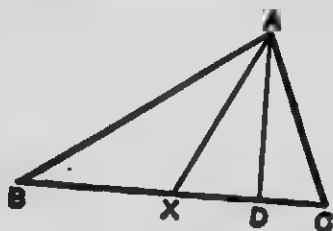
*The square on a side of a triangle is greater than, equal to, or less than the sum of the squares on the other sides, according as the angle contained by those sides is obtuse, a right angle, or acute; the difference in cases of inequality being twice the rectangle contained by one of the two sides and the projection on it of the other.*

## EXERCISES

1. In a triangle  $ABC$ ,  $a = 21$  cm.,  $b = 17$  cm.,  $c = 10$  cm. By how many square centimetres does  $c^2$  fall short of  $a^2 + b^2$ ? Hence or otherwise calculate the projection of  $AC$  on  $BC$ .
2.  $ABC$  is an isosceles triangle in which  $AB = AC$ ; and  $BE$  is drawn perpendicular to  $AC$ . Shew that  $BC^2 = 2AC \cdot CE$ .
3. In the  $\triangle ABC$ , shew that
  - (i) if the  $\angle C = 60^\circ$ , then  $c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - ab$ ;
  - (ii) if the  $\angle C = 120^\circ$ , then  $c^2 = a^2 + b^2 + ab$ .

THEOREM 33.

*In any triangle the sum of the squares on two sides is equal to twice the square on half the third side together with twice the square on the median which bisects the third side.*



Let  $ABC$  be a triangle, and  $AX$  the median which bisects the base  $BC$ .

*It is required to prove that*

$$AB^2 + AC^2 = 2 BX^2 + 2 AX^2.$$

Draw  $AD$  perp. to  $BC$ ; and consider the case in which  $AB$  and  $AC$  are unequal, and  $AD$  falls within the triangle.

Then of the  $\triangle AXB$ ,  $AXC$ , one is obtuse, and the other acute. Let the  $\angle AXB$  be obtuse.

Then from the  $\triangle AXB$ ,

$$AB^2 = BX^2 + AX^2 + 2 BX \cdot XD. \quad \text{Theor. 31.}$$

And from the  $\triangle AXC$ ,

$$AC^2 = XC^2 + AX^2 - 2 XC \cdot XD. \quad \text{Theor. 32.}$$

Adding these results, and remembering that  $XC = BX$ , we have

$$AB^2 + AC^2 = 2 BX^2 + 2 AX^2. \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

NOTE. The proof may easily be adapted to the case in which the perpendicular  $AD$  falls outside the triangle.

EXERCISE

*In any triangle the difference of the squares on two sides is equal to twice the rectangle contained by the base and the intercept between the middle point of the base and the foot of the perpendicular drawn from the vertical angle to the base.*

## EXERCISES ON THEOREMS 31-33

1.  $AB$  is a straight line 8 cm. in length, and from its middle point  $O$  as centre with radius 5 cm. a circle is drawn; if  $P$  is any point on the circumference, shew that

$$AP^2 + BP^2 = 82 \text{ sq. cm.}$$

2. In a triangle  $ABC$ , the base  $BC$  is bisected at  $X$ . If  $a = 17$  cm.,  $b = 15$  cm., and  $c = 8$  cm., calculate the length of the median  $AX$ , and deduce the  $\angle A$ .

3. The base of a triangle = 10 cm., and the sum of the squares on the other sides = 122 sq. cm.; find the locus of the vertex.

4. Prove that the sum of the squares on the sides of a parallelogram is equal to the sum of the squares on its diagonals.

The sides of a rhombus and its shorter diagonal each measure 3"; find the longer diagonal to within .01".

5. In any quadrilateral the squares on the diagonals are together equal to twice the sum of the squares on the straight lines joining the middle points of opposite sides. [See Ex. 7, p. 64.]

6.  $ABCD$  is a rectangle, and  $O$  any point within it: shew that

$$OA^2 + OC^2 = OB^2 + OD^2.$$

If  $AB = 6.0''$ ,  $BC = 2.5''$ , and  $OA^2 + OC^2 = 21\frac{1}{4}$  sq. in., find the distance of  $O$  from the intersection of the diagonals.

7. The sum of the squares on the sides of a quadrilateral is greater than the sum of the squares on its diagonals by four times the square on the straight line which joins the middle points of the diagonals.

8. In a triangle  $ABC$ , the angles at  $B$  and  $C$  are acute; if  $BE$ ,  $CF$  are drawn perpendicular to  $AC$ ,  $AB$  respectively, prove that

$$BC^2 = AB \cdot BF + AC \cdot CE.$$

9. Three times the sum of the squares on the sides of a triangle is equal to four times the sum of the squares on the medians.

10.  $ABC$  is a triangle, and  $O$  the point of intersection of its medians: shew that

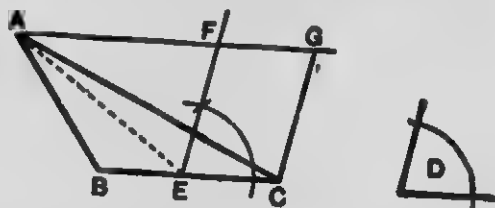
$$AB^2 + BC^2 + CA^2 = 3(OA^2 + OB^2 + OC^2).$$



PROBLEMS ON AREAS

PROBLEM 17

To describe a parallelogram equal to a given triangle, and having one of its angles equal to a given angle



Let  $ABC$  be the given triangle, and  $D$  the given angle.

It is required to describe a parallelogram equal to  $ABC$ , and having one of its angles equal to  $D$ .

**Construction.** Bisect  $BC$  at  $E$ .

At  $E$  in  $CE$ , make the  $\angle CEF$  equal to  $D$ ;

through  $A$  draw  $AFG$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $BC$ ;

and through  $C$  draw  $CG$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $EF$ .

Then  $FECG$  is the required par<sup>m</sup>.

**Proof.**

Join  $AE$ .

Now the  $\triangle ABE$ ,  $AEC$  are on equal bases  $BE$ ,  $EC$ , and of the same altitude;

$\therefore$  the  $\triangle ABE =$  the  $\triangle AEC$ .

$\therefore$  the  $\triangle ABC$  is double of the  $\triangle AEC$ .

But  $FECG$  is a par<sup>m</sup> by construction;

and it is double of the  $\triangle AEC$ ,

being on the same base  $EC$ , and between the same par<sup>ls</sup>  $EO$  and  $AG$ .

$\therefore$  the par<sup>m</sup>  $FECG =$  the  $\triangle ABC$ ;

and one of its angles, namely  $CEF$ , = the given  $\angle D$ .

## EXERCISES

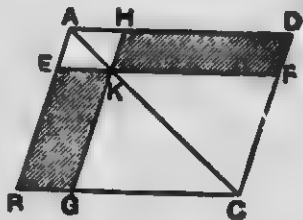
(Graphical)

1. Draw a square on a side of 5 cm., and make a parallelogram of equal area on the same base, and having an angle of  $45^\circ$ .

Find (i) by calculation, (ii) by measurement the length of an oblique side of the parallelogram.

2. Draw any parallelogram  $ABCD$  in which  $AB = 2\frac{1}{2}"$  and  $AD = 2"$ ; and on the base  $AB$  draw a rhombus of equal area.

DEFINITION. In a parallelogram  $ABCD$ , if through any point  $K$  in the diagonal  $AC$  parallels  $EF$ ,  $HG$  are drawn to the sides, then the figures  $EH$ ,  $GF$  are called **parallelograms about  $AC$** , and the figures  $EG$ ,  $HF$  are said to be their **complements**.



3. In the diagram of the preceding definition shew by Theorem 21 that the complements  $EG$ ,  $HF$  are equal in area.

Hence, given a parallelogram  $EG$ , and a straight line  $HK$ , deduce a construction for drawing on  $HK$  as one side a parallelogram equal and equiangular to the parallelogram  $EG$ .

4. Construct a rectangle equal in area to a given rectangle  $CDEF$ , and having one side equal to a given line  $AB$ .

If  $AB = 6$  cm.,  $CD = 8$  cm.,  $CF = 3$  cm., find by measurement the remaining side of the constructed rectangle.

5. Given a parallelogram  $ABCD$ , in which  $AB = 2.4"$ ,  $AD = 1.8"$ , and the  $\angle A = 55^\circ$ . Construct a parallelogram of equal area and equiangular with  $ABCD$ , the greater side measuring  $2.7"$ . Measure the shorter side.

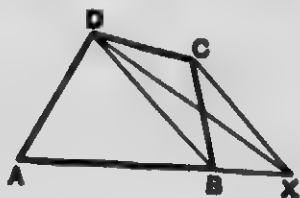
Repeat the process, giving to  $A$  any other value, and compare your results. What conclusion do you draw?

6. Draw a rectangle on a side of 5 cm. equal in area to an equilateral triangle on a side of 6 cm.

Measure the remaining side of the rectangle, and calculate its approximate area.

PROBLEM 18

To draw a triangle equal in area to a given quadrilateral.



Let  $ABCD$  be the given quadrilateral.

It is required to describe a triangle equal to  $ABCD$  in area.

**Construction.** Join  $DB$ .

Through  $C$  draw  $CX$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $DB$ , meeting  $AB$  produced in  $X$ .

Join  $DX$ .

Then  $DAX$  is the required triangle.

**Proof.** Now the  $\triangle XDB$ ,  $CDB$  are on the same base  $DB$  and between the same par<sup>l</sup>  $DB$ ,  $CX$ ;

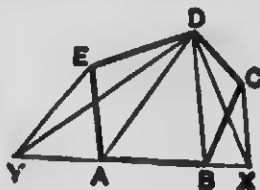
$\therefore$  the  $\triangle XDB =$  the  $\triangle CDB$  in area.

To each of these equals add the  $\triangle ADB$ ;  
then the  $\triangle DAX =$  the fig.  $ABCD$ .

**COROLLARY.** In the same way it is always possible to draw a rectilinear figure equal to a given rectilinear figure, and having fewer sides by one than the given figure; and thus step by step, any rectilinear figure may be reduced to a triangle of equal area.

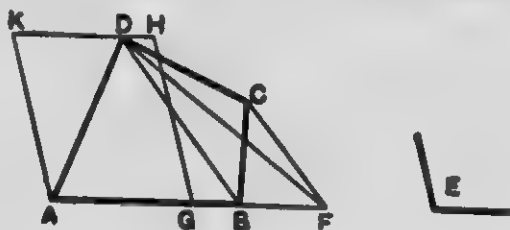
For example, in the adjoining diagram the five-sided fig.  $EDCBA$  is equal in area to the four-sided fig.  $EDXA$ .

The fig.  $EDXA$  may now be reduced to an equal  $\triangle DXY$ .



## PROBLEM 19

To draw a parallelogram equal in area to a given rectilineal figure, and having an angle equal to a given angle.



Let  $ABCD$  be the given rectil. fig., and  $E$  the given angle.  
It is required to draw a  $\text{par}^m$  equal to  $ABCD$  and having an angle equal to  $E$ .

**Construction.**

Join  $DB$ .

Through  $C$  draw  $CF$   $\text{par}^l$  to  $DB$ , and meeting  $AB$  produced in  $F$ .

Join  $DF$ .

Then the  $\triangle DAF =$  the fig.  $ABCD$ . Prob. 18.

Draw the  $\text{par}^m AGHK$  equal to the  $\triangle ADF$ , and having the  $\angle KAG$  equal to the  $\angle E$ . Prob. 17.

Then the  $\text{par}^m KG =$  the  $\triangle ADF$

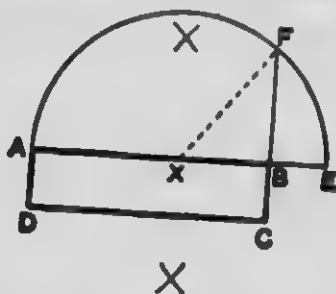
$=$  the fig.  $ABCD$ ;

and it has the  $\angle KAG$  equal to the  $\angle E$ .

**NOTE.** If the given rectilineal figure has more than four sides, it must first be reduced, step by step, until it is replaced by an equivalent triangle.

PROBLEM 20

To draw a square equal in area to a given rectangle.



Let  $ABCD$  be the given rectangle.

**Construction.** Produce  $AB$  to  $E$ , making  $BE$  equal to  $BC$ . On  $AE$  draw a semi-circle; and produce  $CB$  to meet the circumference at  $F$ .

Then  $BF$  is a side of the required square.

**Proof.** Let  $X$  be the mid-point of  $AE$ , and  $r$  the radius of the semi-circle. Join  $XF$ .

Then the rect.  $AC = AB \cdot BE$

$$= (r + XB)(r - XB)$$

$$= r^2 - XB^2$$

$$= FB^2, \text{ from the rt. angled } \triangle F.X.B. \quad (\text{p. 129, E})$$

**COROLLARY.** To describe a square equal in area to any given rectilineal figure.

Reduce the given figure to a triangle of equal area. *Prob. 18.*

Draw a rectangle equivalent to this triangle. *Prob. 17.*

Apply to the rectangle the construction given above.

## EXERCISES

*(Reduction of a Rectilineal Figure to an Equivalent Triangle)*

1. Draw a quadrilateral  $ABCD$  from the following data:

$AB = BC = 5.5$  cm.;  $CD = DA = 4.5$  cm.; the  $\angle A = 75^\circ$ .

Reduce the quadrilateral to a triangle of equal area. Measure the base and altitude of the triangle, and hence calculate the approximate area of the given figure.

2. Draw a quadrilateral  $ABCD$  having given:

$AB = 2.8''$ ,  $BC = 3.2''$ ,  $CD = 3.3''$ ,  $DA = 3.6''$ , and the diagonal  $BD = 3.0''$ .

Construct an equivalent triangle; and hence find the approximate area of the quadrilateral.

3. On a base  $AB$ , 4 cm. in length, describe an equilateral pentagon (5 sides), having each of the angles at  $A$  and  $B$   $108^\circ$ .

Reduce the figure to a triangle of equal area; and by measuring its base and altitude, calculate the approximate area of the pentagon.

4. A quadrilateral field  $ABCD$  has the following measurements:  $AB = 450$  metres,  $BC = 380$  m.,  $CD = 330$  m.,  $AD = 390$  m., and the diagonal  $AC = 660$  m.

Draw a plan (scale 1 cm. to 50 metres). Reduce your plan to an equivalent triangle, and measure its base and altitude. Hence estimate the area of the field.

*(Problems. State your construction, and give a theoretical proof.)*

5. On the base of a given triangle construct a second triangle equal in area to the first and having its vertex in a given line.

6. Reduce a triangle  $ABC$  to a triangle of equal area having its base  $BD$  of given length. ( $D$  lies in  $BC$ , or  $BC$  produced.)

7. Construct a triangle equal in area to a given triangle, and having a given altitude.

8.  $ABC$  is a given triangle, and  $X$  a given point. Draw a triangle equal in area to  $ABC$ , having its vertex at  $X$ , and its base in the same straight line as  $BC$ .

9. Construct a triangle equal in area to the quadrilateral  $ABCD$ , having its vertex at a given point  $X$  in  $DC$ , and its base in the same straight line as  $AB$ .

10. Construct a triangle equal in area to a quadrilateral  $ABCD$  and having two of its sides equal respectively to the diagonals of the quadrilateral.

11. Shew how a triangle may be divided into  $n$  equal parts by straight lines drawn through one of its angular points.

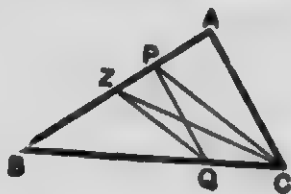
12. Bisect a triangle by a straight line drawn through a given point in one of its sides.

[Let  $ABC$  be the given  $\Delta$ , and  $P$  the given point in the side  $AB$ .

Bisect  $AB$  at  $Z$ ; and join  $CZ$ ,  $CP$ .  
Through  $Z$  draw  $ZQ$  parallel to  $CP$ .

Join  $PQ$ .

Then  $PQ$  bisects the  $\Delta$ .]



13. Trisect a triangle by straight lines drawn from a given point in one of its sides.

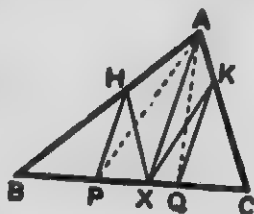
[Let  $ABC$  be the given  $\Delta$ , and  $X$  the given point in the side  $BC$ .

Trisect  $BC$  at the points  $P$ ,  $Q$ . Prob. 7.

Join  $AX$ , and through  $P$  and  $Q$  draw  $PH$  and  $QK$  parallel to  $AX$ .

Join  $XH$ ,  $XK$ .

These straight lines trisect the  $\Delta$ ; as may be shewn by joining  $AP$ ,  $AQ$ .]



14. Cut off from a given triangle a fourth, fifth, sixth, or any part required by a straight line drawn from a given point in one of its sides.

15. Bisect a quadrilateral by a straight line drawn through an angular point.

[Reduce the quadrilateral to a triangle of equal area, and join the vertex to the middle point of the base.]

16. Cut off from a given quadrilateral a third, a fourth, a fifth, or any part required, by a straight line drawn through a given angular point.

## MISCELLANEOUS EXERCISES

1.  $AB$  and  $AC$  are unequal sides of a triangle  $ABC$ ;  $AX$  is the median through  $A$ ,  $AP$  bisects the angle  $BAC$ , and  $AD$  is the perpendicular from  $A$  to  $BC$ . Prove that  $AP$  is intermediate in position and magnitude to  $AX$  and  $AD$ .

2. In a triangle if a perpendicular is drawn from one extremity of the base to the bisector of the vertical angle, (i) it will make with either of the sides containing the vertical angle an angle equal to half the sum of the angles at the base; (ii) it will make with the base an angle equal to half the difference of the angles at the base.

3. In any triangle the angle contained by the bisector of the vertical angle and the perpendicular from the vertex to the base is equal to half the difference of the angles at the base.

4. Construct a right-angled triangle, having given the hypotenuse and the difference of the other sides.

5. Construct a triangle, having given the base, the difference of the angles at the base, and (i) the difference, (ii) the sum, of the remaining sides.

6. Construct an isosceles triangle, having given the base and the sum of one of the equal sides and the perpendicular from the vertex to the base.

7. Shew how to divide a given straight line so that the square on one part may be double the square on the other.

8.  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram, and  $O$  is any point without the angle  $BAD$  or its opposite vertical angle; shew that the triangle  $OAC$  is equal to the sum of the triangles  $OAD$ ,  $OAB$ .

If  $O$  is within the angle  $BAD$  or its opposite vertical angle, shew that the triangle  $OAC$  is equal to the difference of the triangles  $OAD$ ,  $OAB$ .

9. Find the locus of the intersection of the medians of triangles described on a given base and of given area.

10. On the base of a given triangle construct a second triangle equal in area to the first, and having its vertex in a given straight line.

11.  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram made of rods connected by hinges. If  $AB$  is fixed, find the locus of the middle point of  $CD$ .



## PART III

### THE CIRCLE

#### DEFINITIONS AND FIRST PRINCIPLES

1. A circle is a plane figure contained by a line traced out by a point which moves so that its distance from a certain fixed point is always the same.

The fixed point is called the *centre*, and the bounding line is called the *circumference*.

NOTE. According to this definition the term circle strictly applies to the *figure* contained by the circumference; it is often used, however, for the circumference itself when no confusion is likely to arise.

2. A radius of a circle is a straight line drawn from the centre to the circumference. It follows that all radii of a circle are equal.

3. A diameter of a circle is a straight line drawn through the centre and terminated both ways by the circumference.

4. A semi-circle is the figure bounded by a diameter of a circle and the part of the circumference cut off by the diameter.

It will be proved on page 146 that a diameter divides a circle into two identically equal parts.

5. Circles that have the same centre are said to be *concentric*.

From these definitions we draw the following inferences :

(i) A circle is a *closed* curve; so that if the circumference is crossed by a straight line, this line if produced will cross the circumference at a second point.

(ii) The distance of a point from the centre of a circle is greater or less than the radius according as the point is without or within the circumference.

(iii) A point is outside or inside a circle according as its distance from the centre is greater or less than the radius.

(iv) Circles of equal radii are identically equal. For by superposition of one centre on the other the circumferences must coincide at every point.

(v) Concentric circles of unequal radii cannot intersect, for the distance from the centre of every point on the smaller circle is less than the radius of the larger.

(vi) If the circumferences of two circles have a common point they cannot have the same centre, unless they coincide altogether.

6. An **arc** of a circle is any part of the circumference.

7. A **chord** of a circle is a straight line joining any two points on the circumference.

**NOTE.** From these definitions it may be seen that a chord of a circle, which does not pass through the centre, divides the circumference into two unequal arcs; of these, the greater is called the **major arc**, and the less the **minor arc**. Thus the major arc is *greater*, and the minor arc *less* than the semi-circumference.

The major and minor arcs, into which a circumference is divided by a chord, are said to be **conjugate** to one another.



## SYMMETRY

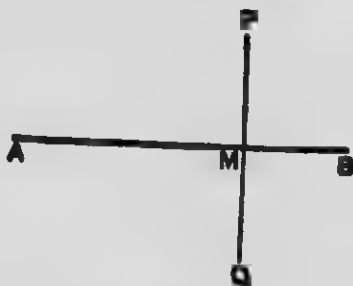
Some elementary properties of circles are easily proved by considerations of symmetry. For convenience the definition given previously is here repeated.

**DEFINITION 1.** A figure is said to be **symmetrical about a line** when, on being folded about that line, the parts of the figure on each side of it can be brought into coincidence.

The straight line is called an **axis of symmetry**.

That this may be possible, it is clear that the two parts of the figure must have the same size and shape, and must be similarly placed with regard to the axis.

**DEFINITION 2.** Let  $AB$  be a straight line and  $P$  a point outside it.



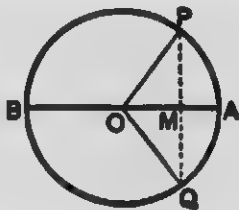
From  $P$  draw  $PM$  perp. to  $AB$ , and produce it to  $Q$ , making  $MQ$  equal to  $PM$ .

Then if the figure is folded about  $AB$ , the point  $P$  may be made to coincide with  $Q$ , for the  $\angle AMP =$  the  $\angle AMQ$  and  $MP = MQ$ .

The points  $P$  and  $Q$  are said to be **symmetrically opposite** with regard to the axis  $AB$ , and each point is said to be the **image** of the other in the axis.

**NOTE.** A point and its image are equidistant from every point on the axis. See Prob. 14, page 91.

*A circle is symmetrical about any diameter.*



Let  $APBQ$  be a circle of which  $O$  is the centre, and  $AB$  any diameter.

*It is required to prove that the circle is symmetrical about  $AB$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $OP$  and  $OQ$  be two radii making any equal  $\angle AOP$ ,  $\angle AOQ$  on opposite sides of  $OA$ .

Then if the figure is folded about  $AB$ ,  $OP$  may be made to fall along  $OQ$ , since the  $\angle AOP =$  the  $\angle AOQ$ .

And thus  $P$  will coincide with  $Q$ , since  $OP = OQ$ .

Thus every point in the arc  $APB$  must coincide with some point in the arc  $AQB$ ; that is, the two parts of the circumference on each side of  $AB$  can be made to coincide.

$\therefore$  the circle is symmetrical about the diameter  $AB$ .

**COROLLARY.** If  $PQ$  is drawn cutting  $AB$  at  $M$ , then on folding the figure about  $AB$ , since  $P$  falls on  $Q$ ,  $MP$  will coincide with  $MQ$ ,

$$\therefore MP = MQ;$$

and the  $\angle OMP$  will coincide with the  $\angle OMQ$ ;

$\therefore$  these angles, being adjacent, are rt.  $\angle$ ;

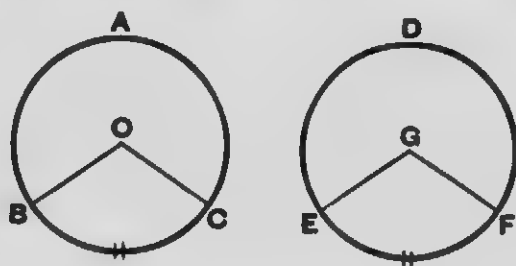
$\therefore$  the points  $P$  and  $Q$  are symmetrically opposite with regard to  $AB$ .

Hence, conversely, if a circle passes through a given point  $P$ , it also passes through the symmetrically opposite point with regard to any diameter.

SOME PROPERTIES OF EQUAL CIRCLES

The student should prove for himself the following properties of equal circles. *A*, *B*, *D*, and *E* may readily be proven by superposition, while *C* is a simple exercise on Theorem 7.

*A.* In equal circles angles at the centre which stand on equal arcs are equal.

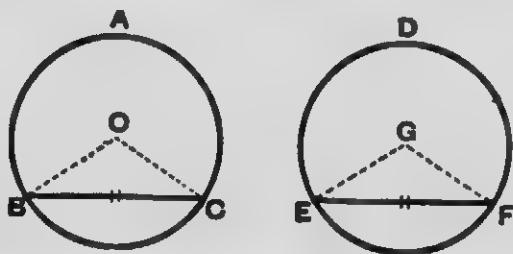


*B.* In equal circles arcs which subtend equal angles at the centre are equal.

*C.* In equal circles arcs which are cut off by equal chords are equal, the major arc to the major and the minor arc to the minor.

(a) Prove  $\angle BOC = \angle EGF$ , Th. 7.

(b) Hence arc  $BC =$  arc  $EF$ , Th. 2.



*D.* In equal circles chords which cut off equal arcs are equal.

*E.* In equal circles sectors (see Def. p. 161) which have equal angles are equal.

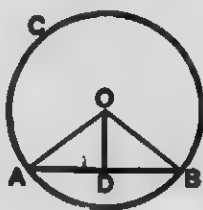
**NOTE.** State and prove these properties for the same circle.

## ON CHORDS

## THEOREM 34. [Euclid III. 3]

*If a straight line drawn from the centre of a circle bisects a chord which does not pass through the centre, it cuts the chord at right angles.*

*Conversely, if it cuts the chord at right angles, it bisects it.*



Let  $ABC$  be a circle whose centre is  $O$ ; and let  $OD$  bisect a chord  $AB$  which does not pass through the centre.

*It is required to prove that  $OD$  is perp. to  $AB$ .*

Join  $OA$ ,  $OB$ .

**Proof.**

Then in the  $\triangle ADO$ ,  $BDO$ ,

because  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} AD = BD, \text{ by hypothesis,} \\ OD \text{ is common,} \\ \text{and } OA = OB, \text{ being radii of the circle;} \end{array} \right.$

$\therefore$  the  $\angle ADO =$  the  $\angle BDO$ , *Theor. 7.*

and these are adjacent angles;

$\therefore OD$  is perp. to  $AB$ . **Q.E.D.**

*Conversely.* Let  $OD$  be perp. to the chord  $AB$ .

*It is required to prove that  $OD$  bisects  $AB$ .*

**Proof.**

In the  $\triangle ODA$ ,  $ODB$ ,

because  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{the } \angle ODA, ODB \text{ are right angles,} \\ \text{the hypotenuse } OA = \text{the hypotenuse } OB, \\ \text{and } OD \text{ is common;} \end{array} \right.$

$\therefore DA = DB$ ;

*Theor. 18.*

that is,

$OD$  bisects  $AB$  at  $D$ .

**Q.E.D.**

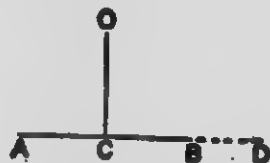
**COROLLARY 1.** *The straight line which bisects a chord at right angles passes through the centre.*

**COROLLARY 2.** *A straight line cannot meet a circle at more than two points.*

For suppose a st. line meets a circle whose centre is  $O$  at the points  $A$  and  $B$ .

Draw  $OC$  perp. to  $AB$ .

Then  $AC = CB$ .



Now if the circle were to cut  $AB$  in a third point  $D$ ,  $AC$  would also be equal to  $CD$ , which is impossible.

**COROLLARY 3.** *A chord of a circle lies wholly within it.*

### EXERCISES

(Numerical and Graphical)

1. In the figure of Theorem 34, if  $AB = 8$  cm., and  $OD = 3$  cm., find  $OB$ . Draw the figure, and verify your result by measurement.

2. Calculate the length of a chord which stands at a distance 5" from the centre of a circle whose radius is 13".

3. In a circle of 1" radius draw two chords 1.6" and 1.2" in length. Calculate and measure the distance of each from the centre.

4. Draw a circle whose diameter is 8.0 cm. and place in it a chord 6.0 cm. in length. Calculate to the nearest millimetre the distance of the chord from the centre; and verify your result by measurement.

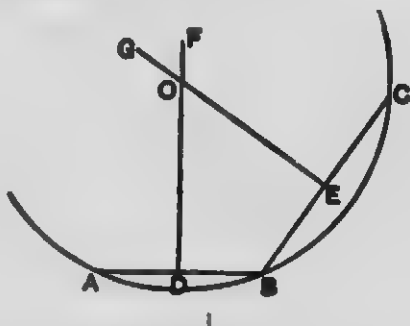
5. Find the distance from the centre to a chord 5 ft. 10 in. in length in a circle whose diameter is 2 yds. 2 in. Verify the result graphically by drawing a figure in which 1 cm. represents 10".

6.  $AB$  is a chord 2.4" long in a circle whose centre is  $O$  and whose radius is 1.3"; find the area of the triangle  $OAB$  in square inches.

7. Two points  $P$  and  $Q$  are 3" apart. Draw a circle with radius 1.7" to pass through  $P$  and  $Q$ . Calculate the distance of its centre from the chord  $PQ$ , and verify by measurement.

## THEOREM 35

*One circle, and only one, can pass through any three points not in the same straight line.*



Let  $A, B, C$  be three points not in the same straight line.  
*It is required to prove that one circle, and only one, can pass through  $A, B$ , and  $C$ .*

Join  $AB, BC$ .

Let  $AB$  and  $BC$  be bisected at right angles by the lines  $DF, EG$ .

Then since  $AB$  and  $BC$  are not in the same st. line,  $DF$  and  $EG$  are not par<sup>l</sup>.

Let  $DF$  and  $EG$  meet in  $O$ .

**Proof.** Because  $DF$  bisects  $AB$  at right angles,  
 $\therefore$  every point on  $DF$  is equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$ .

*Prob. 14.*

Similarly every point on  $EG$  is equidistant from  $B$  and  $C$ .  
 $\therefore O$ , the only point common to  $DF$  and  $EG$ , is equidistant from  $A, B$ , and  $C$ ;

and there is no other point equidistant from  $A, B$ , and  $C$ .

$\therefore$  a circle having its centre at  $O$  and radius  $OA$  will pass through  $B$  and  $C$ ; and this is the only circle which will pass through the three given points.

**Q.E.D.**



**COROLLARY 1.** *The size and position of a circle are fully determined if three of its points are known; for then the position of the centre and length of the radius can be found.*

**COROLLARY 2.** *Two circles cannot cut one another in more than two points without coinciding entirely; for if they cut at three points they would have the same centre and radius.*

**HYPOTHETICAL CONSTRUCTION.** *From Theorem 35 it appears that we may suppose a circle to be drawn through any three points not in the same straight line.*

Thus, one circle passes through the vertices of any triangle.

**DEFINITION.** The circle passing through the vertices of a triangle is said to be **circumscribed** about the triangle. The circle, its centre, and its radius are called the **circum-circle**, the **circum-centre**, and the **circum-radius** of the triangle.

### EXERCISES ON THEOREMS 34 AND 35

(Theoretical)

1. The parts of a straight line intercepted between the circumferences of two concentric circles are equal.

2. Two circles, whose centres are at  $A$  and  $B$ , intersect at  $C$ ,  $D$ ; and  $M$  is the middle point of the common chord. Shew that  $AM$  and  $BM$  are in the same straight line.

Hence prove that the line of centres bisects the common chord at right angles.

3.  $AB$ ,  $AC$  are two equal chords of a circle; shew that the straight line which bisects the angle  $BAC$  passes through the centre.

4. Find the locus of the centres of all circles which pass through two given points.

5. Describe a circle that shall pass through two given points and have its centre in a given straight line.

When is this impossible?

6. Describe a circle of given radius to pass through two given points. When is this impossible?

## \*THEOREM 36. [Euclid III. 9]

*If from a point within a circle more than two equal straight lines can be drawn to the circumference, that point is the centre of the circle.*



Let  $ABC$  be a circle, and  $O$  a point within it from which more than two equal st. lines are drawn to the  $O^{\circ}$ , namely  $OA, OB, OC$ .

*It is required to prove that  $O$  is the centre of the circle  $ABC$ .*

Join  $AB, BC$ .

Let  $D$  and  $E$  be the middle points of  $AB$  and  $BC$  respectively.

Join  $OD, OE$ .

**Proof.**

In the  $\triangle ODA, ODB$ ,

because  $\begin{cases} DA = DB, \\ DO \text{ is common,} \\ \text{and } OA = OB, \text{ by hypothesis;} \end{cases}$   
 $\therefore$  the  $\angle ODA =$  the  $\angle ODB$ ; *Theor. 7.*  
 $\therefore$  these angles, being adjacent, are rt.  $\angle$ .

Hence  $DO$  bisects the chord  $AB$  at right angles, and therefore passes through the centre. *Theor. 34, Cor. 1.*

Similarly it may be shewn that  $EO$  passes through the centre.

$\therefore O$ , which is the only point common to  $DO$  and  $EO$ , must be the centre.

Q.E.D.

## EXERCISES ON CHORDS

*(Numerical and Graphical)*

1.  $AB$  and  $BC$  are lines at right angles, and their lengths are  $1\cdot6''$  and  $3\cdot0''$  respectively. Draw the circle through the points  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ ; find the length of its radius, and verify your result by measurement.

2. Draw a circle in which a chord  $6$  cm. in length stands at a distance of  $3$  cm. from the centre.

Calculate (to the nearest millimetre) the length of the radius, and verify your result by measurement.

3. Draw a circle on a diameter of  $8$  cm., and place in it a chord equal to the radius.

Calculate (to the nearest millimetre) the distance of the chord from the centre, and verify by measurement.

4. Two circles, whose radii are respectively  $26$  inches and  $25$  inches, intersect at two points which are  $4$  feet apart. Find the distance between their centres.

Draw the figure (scale  $1$  cm. to  $10''$ ), and verify your result by measurement.

5. Two parallel chords of a circle whose diameter is  $13''$  are respectively  $5''$  and  $12''$  in length; shew that the distance between them is either  $8\cdot5''$  or  $3\cdot5''$ .

6. Two parallel chords of a circle on the same side of the centre are  $6$  cm. and  $8$  cm. in length respectively, and the perpendicular distance between them is  $1$  cm. Calculate and measure the radius.

*(Theoretical)*

7. The line joining the middle points of two parallel chords of a circle passes through the centre.

8. Find the locus of the middle points of parallel chords in a circle.

9. Two intersecting chords of a circle cannot bisect each other unless each is a diameter.

10. If a parallelogram can be inscribed in a circle, the point of intersection of its diagonals must be at the centre of the circle.

11. Shew that rectangles are the only parallelograms that can be inscribed in a circle.

## THEOREM 37. [Euclid III. 14]

*Equal chords of a circle are equidistant from the centre.*

*Conversely, chords which are equidistant from the centre are equal.*



Let  $AB$ ,  $CD$  be chords of a circle whose centre is  $O$ , and let  $OF$ ,  $OG$  be perpendiculars on them from  $O$ .

*First.*

Let  $AB = CD$ .

*It is required to prove that  $AB$  and  $CD$  are equidistant from  $O$ .*

Join  $OA$ ,  $OC$ .

**Proof.**

Because  $OF$  is perp. to the chord  $AB$ ,

$\therefore OF$  bisects  $AB$ ;

*Theor. 34.*

$\therefore AF$  is half of  $AB$ .

Similarly  $CG$  is half of  $CD$ .

But, by hypothesis,  $AB = CD$ ,

$\therefore AF = CG$ .

Now in the  $\triangle OFA$ ,  $OGC$ ,

because  $\begin{cases} \text{the } \angle OFA, OGC \text{ are right angles,} \\ \text{the hypotenuse } OA = \text{the hypotenuse } OC, \\ \text{and } AF = CG; \end{cases}$

$\therefore$  the triangles are equal in all respects; *Theor. 18.*

so that  $OF = OG$ ;

that is,  $AB$  and  $CD$  are equidistant from  $O$ .

Q.E.D.

*Conversely.*

Let  $OF = OG$ .

It is required to prove that  $AB = CD$ .

**Proof.** As before it may be shewn that  $AF$  is half of  $AB$ , and  $CG$  half of  $CD$ .

Then in the  $\triangle OFA, OGC$ ,

because  $\begin{cases} \text{the } \triangle OFA, OGC \text{ are right angles,} \\ \text{the hypotenuse } OA = \text{the hypotenuse } OC, \\ \text{and } OF = OG; \end{cases}$

$\therefore AF = CG$ ; Theor. 18.

$\therefore$  the doubles of these are equal;  
that is,  $AB = CD$ . Q.E.D.

### EXERCISES

(Theoretical)

1. Find the locus of the middle points of equal chords of a circle.
2. If two chords of a circle cut one another, and make equal angles with the straight line which joins their point of intersection to the centre, they are equal.
3. If two equal chords of a circle intersect, shew that the segments of the one are equal respectively to the segments of the other.
4. In a given circle draw a chord which shall be equal to one given straight line (not greater than the diameter) and parallel to another.
5.  $PQ$  is a fixed chord in a circle, and  $AB$  is any diameter: shew that the sum or difference of the perpendiculars let fall from  $A$  and  $B$  on  $PQ$  is the same for all positions of  $AB$ . [See Ex. 9, p. 64.]

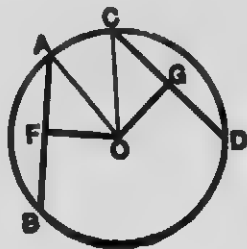
(Graphical)

6. In a circle of radius 4.1 cm. any number of chords are drawn each 1.8 cm. in length. Shew that the middle points of these chords all lie on a circle. Calculate and measure the length of its radius, and draw the circle.
7. The centres of two circles are 4" apart, their common chord is 2.4" in length, and the radius of the larger circle is 3.7". Give a construction for finding the points of intersection of the two circles, and find the radius of the smaller circle.

## THEOREM 38. [Euclid III. 15]

*Of any two chords of a circle, that which is nearer to the centre is greater than one more remote.*

*Conversely, the greater of two chords is nearer to the centre than the less.*



Let  $AB$ ,  $CD$  be chords of a circle whose centre is  $O$ , and let  $OF$ ,  $OG$  be perpendiculars on them from  $O$ .

*It is required to prove that*

- (i) *if  $OF$  is less than  $OG$ , then  $AB$  is greater than  $CD$ ;*
- (ii) *if  $AB$  is greater than  $CD$ , then  $OF$  is less than  $OG$ .*

Join  $OA$ ,  $OC$ .

**Proof.** Because  $OF$  is perp. to the chord  $AB$ ,

$\therefore OF$  bisects  $AB$ ;

$\therefore AF$  is half of  $AB$ .

Similarly  $CG$  is half of  $CD$ .

Now  $OA = OC$ ;

$\therefore$  the sq. on  $OA$  = the sq. on  $OC$ .

But since the  $\angle OFA$  is a rt. angle,

$\therefore$  the sq. on  $OA$  = the sqq. on  $OF$ ,  $FA$ .

Similarly the sq. on  $OC$  = the sqq. on  $OG$ ,  $GC$ .

$\therefore$  the sqq. on  $OF$ ,  $FA$  = the sqq. on  $OG$ ,  $GC$ .

(i) Hence if  $OF$  is given less than  $OG$ ,  
 the sq. on  $OF$  is less than the sq. on  $OG$ .  
 $\therefore$  the sq. on  $FA$  is greater than the sq. on  $GC$ ;  
 $\therefore FA$  is greater than  $GC$ ;  
 $\therefore AB$  is greater than  $CD$ .

(ii) But if  $AB$  is given greater than  $CD$ ,  
 that is, if  $FA$  is greater than  $GC$ ;  
 then the sq. on  $FA$  is greater than the sq. on  $GC$ .  
 $\therefore$  the sq. on  $OF$  is less than the sq. on  $OG$ ;  
 $\therefore OF$  is less than  $OG$ . Q.E.D.

**COROLLARY.** *The greatest chord in a circle is a diameter.*

### EXERCISES

*(Miscellaneous)*

1. Through a given point within a circle draw the least possible chord.
2. Draw a triangle  $ABC$  in which  $a = 3.5''$ ,  $b = 1.2''$ ,  $c = 3.7''$ . Through the ends of the side  $a$  draw a circle with its centre on the side  $c$ . Calculate and measure the radius.
3. Draw the circum-circle of a triangle whose sides are  $2.6''$ ,  $2.8''$ , and  $3.0''$ . Measure its radius.
4.  $AB$  is a fixed chord of a circle, and  $XY$  any other chord having its middle point  $Z$  on  $AB$ ; what is the greatest, and what the least length that  $XY$  may have?  
 Shew that  $XY$  increases, as  $Z$  approaches the middle point of  $AB$ .
5. Describe the change of direction of the chord  $XY$  (in Ex. 4) as  $Z$  moves from one end of  $AB$  to its middle point.
6. What direction does  $XY$  take when  $Z$  reaches the middle point of  $AB$ ?
7. Consider the position of  $XY$  when  $Z$  gets very near to  $A$ .

**NOTE.** For exercises on Theorems 34-38, see page 160.

ON ANGLES IN SEGMENTS, AND ANGLES AT  
THE CENTRES AND CIRCUMFERENCES  
OF CIRCLES

THEOREM 39. [Euclid III. 20]

*The angle at the centre of a circle is double of an angle at the circumference standing on the same arc.*

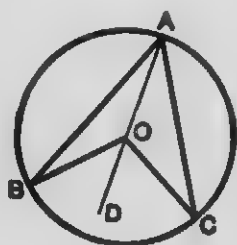


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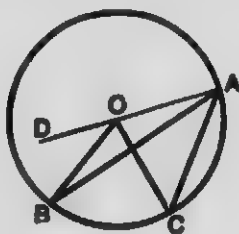


Fig. 2.

Let  $ABC$  be a circle, of which  $O$  is the centre ; and let  $BOC$  be the angle at the centre, and  $BAC$  an angle at the  $O^{\text{ce}}$  standing on the same arc  $BC$ .

*It is required to prove that the  $\angle BOC$  is twice the  $\angle BAC$ .*

Join  $AO$ , and produce it to  $D$ .

**Proof.** In the  $\triangle OAB$ , because  $OB = OA$ ,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle OAB =$  the  $\angle OBA$ .

$\therefore$  the sum of the  $\angle OAB, OBA =$  twice the  $\angle OAB$ .

But the ext.  $\angle BOD =$  the sum of the  $\angle OAB, OBA$ ;

$\therefore$  the  $\angle BOD =$  twice the  $\angle OAB$ .

Similarly the  $\angle DOC =$  twice the  $\angle OAC$ .

$\therefore$ , adding these results in Fig. 1, and taking the difference in Fig. 2, it follows in each case that

the  $\angle BOC =$  twice the  $\angle BAC$ .

Q.E.D.



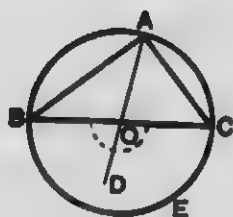


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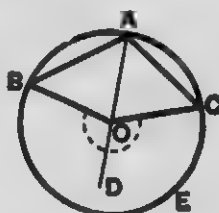


Fig. 4.

*Obs.* If the arc  $BEC$ , on which the angles stand, is a semi-circumference, as in Fig. 3, the  $\angle BOC$  at the centre is a *straight angle*; and if the arc  $BEC$  is greater than a semi-circumference, as in Fig. 4, the  $\angle BOC$  at the centre is *reflex*. But the proof for Fig. 1 applies without change to both these cases, shewing that whether the given arc is greater than, equal to, or less than a semi-circumference,

*the  $\angle BOC = \text{twice the } \angle BAC$ , on the same arc  $BEC$ .*

### DEFINITIONS

A **segment** of a circle is the figure bounded by a chord and one of the two arcs into which the chord divides the circumference.

**NOTE.** The chord of a segment is sometimes called its *base*.

An **angle in a segment** is one formed by two straight lines drawn from any point in the arc of the segment to the extremities of its chord.

We have seen in Theorem 35 that a circle may be drawn through *any three* points not in a straight line. But it is only under certain conditions that a circle can be drawn through more than three points.

**DEFINITION.** If four or more points are so placed that a circle may be drawn through them, they are said to be **concyelic**.



## EXERCISES

*(Miscellaneous)*

1. *All circles which pass through a fixed point, and have their centres on a given straight line, pass also through a second fixed point.*
2. *If two circles which intersect are cut by a straight line parallel to the common chord, shew that the parts of it intercepted between the circumferences are equal.*
3. *If two circles cut one another, any two parallel straight lines drawn through the points of intersection to cut the circles are equal.*
4. *If two circles cut one another, any two straight lines drawn through a point of section, making equal angles with the common chord, and terminated by the circumferences, are equal.*
5. *Two circles of diameters 74 and 40 inches have a common chord 2 feet in length; find the distance between their centres.*
6. *Draw two circles of radii 1.0" and 1.7", and with their centres 2.1" apart. Find by calculation, and by measurement, the length of the common chord, and its distance from the two centres.*
7. *Find the greatest and least straight lines which have one extremity on each of two given non-intersecting circles.*
8. *If from any point on the circumference of a circle straight lines are drawn to the circumference, the greatest is that which passes through the centre; and of any two such lines the greater is that which subtends the greater angle at the centre.*
9. *Of all straight lines drawn through a point of intersection of two circles and terminated by the circumferences, the greatest is that which is parallel to the line of centres.*
10. *If from any internal point, not the centre, straight lines are drawn to the circumference of a circle, then the greatest is that which passes through the centre, and the least is the remaining part of that diameter; and of any other two such lines the greater is that which subtends the greater angle at the centre.*
11. *If from any external point straight lines are drawn to the circumference of a circle, the greatest is that which passes through the centre, and the least is that which when produced passes through the centre; and of any other two such lines, the greater is that which subtends the greater angle at the centre.*

EXERCISES ON THEOREM 39

1. *Prove that the angle in a semi-circle is a right angle.*
2. *The angle in a segment of a circle greater than a semi-circle is an acute angle.*
3. *The angle in a segment of a circle less than a semi-circle is an obtuse angle.*
4. *A circle described on the hypotenuse of a right-angled triangle as diameter, passes through the opposite angular point.*
5. *Two circles intersect at  $A$  and  $B$ ; and through  $A$  two diameters  $AP$ ,  $AQ$  are drawn, one in each circle; shew that the points  $P$ ,  $B$ ,  $Q$  are collinear.*
6. *A circle is described on one of the equal sides of an isosceles triangle as diameter. Shew that it passes through the middle point of the base.*
7. *Circles described on any two sides of a triangle as diameters intersect on the third side, or the third side produced.*
8. *A straight rod of given length slides between two straight rulers placed at right angles to one another; find the locus of its middle point.*
9. *Find the locus of the middle points of chords of a circle drawn through a fixed point. Distinguish between the cases when the given point is within, on, or without the circumference.*
10. *If two chords intersect within a circle, they form an angle equal to that at the centre, subtended by half the sum of the arcs they cut off.*
11. *If two chords intersect without a circle, they form an angle equal to that at the centre subtended by half the difference of the arcs they cut off.*
12. *The sum of the arcs cut off by two chords of a circle at right angles to one another is equal to the semi-circumference.*

**DEFINITION.** A sector of a circle is a figure bounded by two radii and the arc intercepted between them.



## THEOREM 40. [Euclid III. 21]

*Angles in the same segment of a circle are equal.*

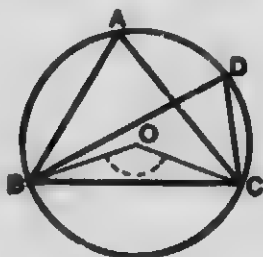


Fig. 1.

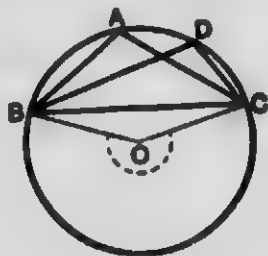


Fig. 2.

Let  $BAC$ ,  $BDC$  be angles in the same segment  $BADC$  of a circle, whose centre is  $O$ .

*It is required to prove that the  $\angle BAC =$  the  $\angle BDC$ .*

Join  $BO$ ,  $OC$ .

**Proof.** Because the  $\angle BOC$  is at the centre, and the  $\angle BAC$  at the  $O^\infty$ , standing on the same arc  $BC$ ,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle BOC =$  twice the  $\angle BAC$ . *Theor. 39.*

Similarly the  $\angle BOC =$  twice the  $\angle BDC$ .

$\therefore$  the  $\angle BAC =$  the  $\angle BDC$ . Q.E.D.

**NOTE.** The given segment may be greater than a semi-circle as in Fig. 1, or less than a semi-circle as in Fig. 2; in the latter case the angle  $BOC$  will be reflex. But by virtue of the extension of Theorem 39 given on page 159, the above proof applies equally to both figures.

## CONVERSE OF THEOREM 40

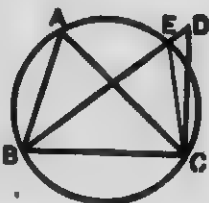
*Equal angles standing on the same base, and on the same side of it, have their vertices on an arc of a circle, of which the given base is the chord.*

Let  $BAC$ ,  $BDC$  be two equal angles standing on the same base  $BC$ , and on the same side of it.

It is required to prove that  $A$  and  $D$  lie on an arc of a circle having  $BC$  as its chord.

Let  $ABC$  be the circle which passes through the three points  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ ; and suppose it cuts  $BD$  or  $BD$  produced at the point  $E$ .

Join  $EC$ .



**Proof.** Then the  $\angle BAC =$  the  $\angle BEC$  in the same segment.

But, by hypothesis, the  $\angle BAC =$  the  $\angle BDC$ ;

$\therefore$  the  $\angle BEC =$  the  $\angle BDC$ ;

which is impossible unless  $E$  coincides with  $D$ ;

$\therefore$  the circle through  $B$ ,  $A$ ,  $C$  must pass through  $D$ .

**COROLLARY.** *The locus of the vertices of triangles drawn on the same side of a given base, and with equal vertical angles, is an arc of a circle.*

## EXERCISES ON THEOREM 40

1. In Fig. 1, if the angle  $BDC$  is  $74^\circ$ , find the number of degrees in each of the angles  $BAC$ ,  $BOC$ ,  $OBC$ .

2. In Fig. 2, let  $BD$  and  $CA$  intersect at  $X$ . If the angle  $DXC = 40^\circ$ , and the angle  $XCD = 25^\circ$ , find the number of degrees in the angle  $BAC$  and in the reflex angle  $BOC$ .

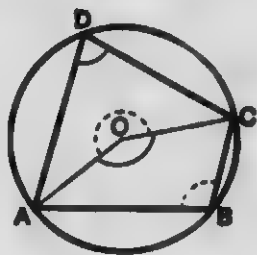
3. In Fig. 1, if the angles  $CBD$ ,  $BCD$  are respectively  $43^\circ$  and  $82^\circ$ , find the number of degrees in the angles  $BAC$ ,  $OBD$ ,  $OCD$ .

4. Shew that in Fig. 2 the angle  $OBC$  is always less than the angle  $BAC$  by a right angle.

[For further Exercises on Theorem 40 see page 166.]

**THEOREM 41.** [Euclid III. 22]

*The opposite angles of any quadrilateral inscribed in a circle are together equal to two right angles.*



Let  $ABCD$  be a quadrilateral inscribed in the  $\odot ABC$ .  
It is required to prove that

- (i) the  $\angle ADC, ABC$  together = two rt. angles.
- (ii) the  $\angle BAD, BCD$  together = two rt. angles.

Suppose  $O$  is the centre of the circle.

Join  $OA, OC$ .

**Proof.** Since the  $\angle ADC$  at the  $\odot^{\circ\circ}$  = half the  $\angle AOC$  at the centre, standing on the same arc  $ABC$  ;  
and the  $\angle ABC$  at the  $\odot^{\circ\circ}$  = half the reflex  $\angle AOC$  at the centre, standing on the same arc  $ADC$  ;  
 $\therefore$  the  $\angle ADC, ABC$  together = half the sum of the  $\angle AOC$  and the reflex  $\angle AOC$ .

But the latter angles make up four rt. angles.

$\therefore$  the  $\angle ADC, ABC$  together = two rt. angles.

Similarly the  $\angle BAD, BCD$  together = two rt. angles.

Q.E.D.

**NOTE.** The results of Theorems 40 and 41 should be carefully compared. From Theorem 40 we learn that angles in the same segment are equal. From Theorem 41 we learn that angles in conjugate segments are supplementary.

**DEFINITION.** A quadrilateral is called *cyclic* when a circle can be drawn through its four vertices.

### CONVERSE OF THEOREM 41

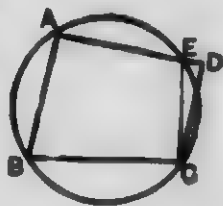
*If a pair of opposite angles of a quadrilateral are supplementary, its vertices are concyclic.*

Let  $ABCD$  be a quadrilateral in which the opposite angles at  $B$  and  $D$  are supplementary.

*It is required to prove that the points  $A, B, C, D$  are concyclic.*

Let  $ABC$  be the circle which passes through the three points  $A, B, C$ ; and suppose it cuts  $AD$  or  $AD$  produced in the point  $E$ .

Join  $EC$ .



**Proof.** Then since  $ABCE$  is a cyclic quadrilateral,  
 $\therefore$  the  $\angle AEC$  is the supplement of the  $\angle ABC$ .

But, by hypothesis, the  $\angle ADC$  is the supplement of the  $\angle ABC$ ;

$\therefore$  the  $\angle AEC =$  the  $\angle ADC$ ;

which is impossible unless  $E$  coincides with  $D$ .

$\therefore$  the circle which passes through  $A, B, C$  must pass through  $D$ ;  
 that is,  $A, B, C, D$  are concyclic.

Q.E.D.

### EXERCISES ON THEOREM 41

1. In a circle of 1.6" radius inscribe a quadrilateral  $ABCD$ , making the angle  $ABC$  equal to  $126^\circ$ . Measure the remaining angles, and hence verify in this case that opposite angles are supplementary.

2. Prove Theorem 41 by the aid of Theorems 40 and 16, after first joining the opposite vertices of the quadrilateral.

3. If a circle can be described about a parallelogram, the parallelogram must be rectangular.

4.  $ABC$  is an isosceles triangle, and  $XY$  is drawn parallel to the base  $BC$  cutting the sides in  $X$  and  $Y$ ; shew that the four points  $B, C, X, Y$  lie on a circle.

5. If one side of a cyclic quadrilateral is produced, the exterior angle is equal to the opposite interior angle of the quadrilateral.

## EXERCISES ON ANGLES IN A CIRCLE

1.  $P$  is any point on the arc of a segment of which  $AB$  is the chord; shew that the sum of the angles  $PAB$ ,  $PBA$  is constant.

2.  $PQ$  and  $RS$  are two chords of a circle intersecting at  $X$ ; prove that the triangles  $PXS$ ,  $RXQ$  are equiangular to one another.

3. Two circles intersect at  $A$  and  $B$ ; and through  $A$  any straight line  $PAQ$  is drawn terminated by the circumferences; shew that  $PQ$  subtends a constant angle at  $B$ .

4. Two circles intersect at  $A$  and  $B$ ; and through  $A$  any two straight lines  $PAQ$ ,  $XAY$  are drawn terminated by the circumferences; shew that the arcs  $PX$ ,  $QY$  subtend equal angles at  $B$ .

5.  $P$  is any point on the arc of a segment whose chord is  $AB$ ; and the angles  $PAB$ ,  $PBA$  are bisected by straight lines which intersect at  $O$ . Find the locus of the point  $O$ .

6. If  $AB$  is a fixed chord of a circle and  $P$  any point on one of the arcs cut off by it, then the bisector of the angle  $APB$  cuts the conjugate arc in the same point for all positions of  $P$ .

7.  $AB$ ,  $AC$  are any two chords of a circle; and  $P$ ,  $Q$  are the middle points of the minor arcs cut off by them; if  $PQ$  is joined, cutting  $AB$  in  $X$  and  $AC$  in  $Y$ , shew that  $AX = AY$ .

8. A triangle  $ABC$  is inscribed in a circle, and the bisectors of the angles meet the circumference at  $X$ ,  $Y$ ,  $Z$ . Shew that the angles of the triangle  $XYZ$  are respectively

$$90^\circ - \frac{A}{2}, \quad 90^\circ - \frac{B}{2}, \quad 90^\circ - \frac{C}{2}.$$

9. Two circles intersect at  $A$  and  $B$ ; and through these points lines are drawn from any point  $P$  on the circumference of one of the circles; shew that when produced they intercept on the other circumference an arc which is constant for all positions of  $P$ .

10. The straight lines which join the extremities of parallel chords in a circle (i) towards the same parts, (ii) towards opposite parts, are equal.



11. Through  $A$ , a point of intersection of two equal circles, two straight lines  $PAQ$ ,  $XY$  are drawn; shew that the chord  $PA$  is equal to the chord  $QY$ .

12. Through the points of intersection of two circles two parallel straight lines are drawn terminated by the circumferences; shew that the straight lines which join their extremities towards the same parts are equal.

13. Two equal circles intersect at  $A$  and  $B$ ; and through  $A$  any straight line  $PAQ$  is drawn terminated by the circumferences; shew that  $BP = BQ$ .

14.  $ABC$  is an isosceles triangle inscribed in a circle, and the bisectors of the base angles meet the circumference at  $X$  and  $Y$ . Shew that the figure  $BXAYC$  must have four of its sides equal.

What relation must subsist among the angles of the triangle  $ABC$ , in order that the figure  $BXAYC$  may be equilateral?

15.  $ABCD$  is a cyclic quadrilateral, and the opposite sides  $AB$ ,  $DC$  are produced to meet at  $P$ , and  $CB$ ,  $DA$  to meet at  $Q$ ; if the circles circumscribed about the triangles  $PBC$ ,  $QAB$  intersect at  $R$ , shew that the points  $P$ ,  $R$ ,  $Q$  are collinear.

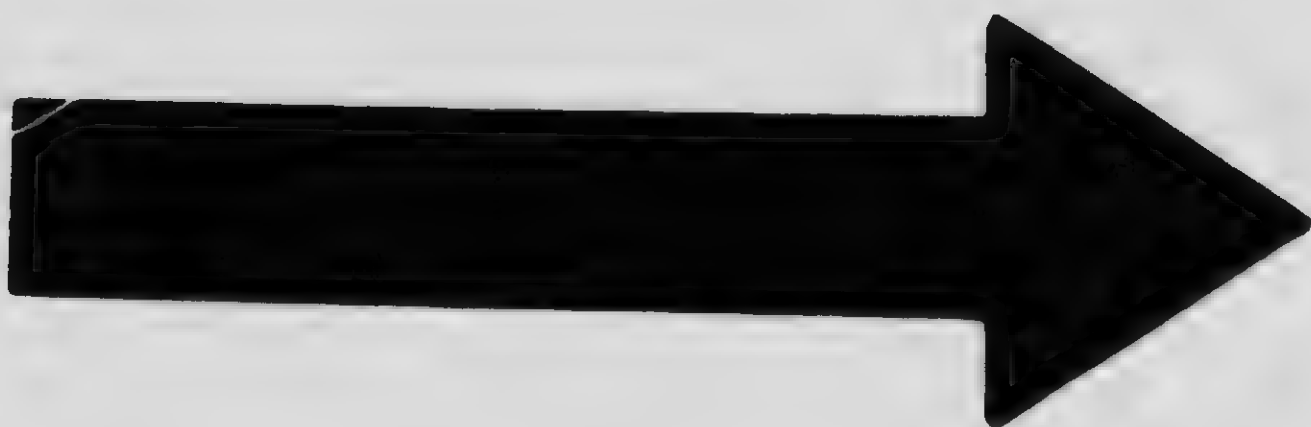
16.  $P$ ,  $Q$ ,  $R$  are the middle points of the sides of a triangle, and  $X$  is the foot of the perpendicular let fall from one vertex on the opposite side; shew that the four points  $P$ ,  $Q$ ,  $R$ ,  $X$  are concyclic.

[See page 64, Ex. 2; also Prob. 10, p. 83.]

17. Use the preceding exercise to shew that the middle points of the sides of a triangle and the feet of the perpendiculars let fall from the vertices on the opposite sides, are concyclic.

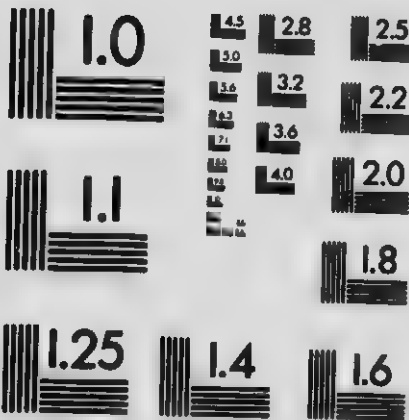
18. If a series of triangles are drawn standing on a fixed base and having a given vertical angle, shew that the bisectors of the vertical angles all pass through a fixed point.

19.  $ABC$  is a triangle inscribed in a circle, and  $E$  the middle point of the arc subtended by  $BC$  on the side remote from  $A$ ; if through  $E$  a diameter  $ED$  is drawn, shew that the angle  $DEA$  is half the difference of the angles at  $B$  and  $C$ .



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## TANGENCY

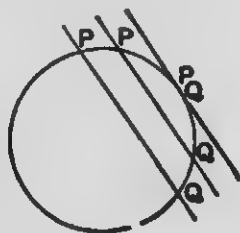
## DEFINITIONS AND FIRST PRINCIPLES

1. A **secant** of a circle is a straight line of indefinite length which cuts the circumference at two points.

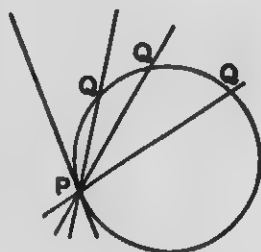
2. If a secant moves in such a way that the two points in which it cuts the circle continually approach one another, then in the ultimate position when these two points become one, the secant becomes a **tangent** to the circle, and is said to **touch** it at the point at which the two intersections coincide. This point is called the **point of contact**.

For instance :

(i) Let a secant cut the circle at the points  $P$  and  $Q$ , and suppose it to recede from the centre, moving so as to be always parallel to its original position; then the two points  $P$  and  $Q$  will clearly approach one another and finally coincide. In the ultimate position when  $P$  and  $Q$  become one point, the straight line becomes a tangent to the circle at that point.



(ii) Let a secant cut the circle at the points  $P$  and  $Q$ , and suppose it to be turned about the point  $P$  so that while  $P$  remains fixed,  $Q$  moves on the circumference nearer and nearer to  $P$ . Then the line  $PQ$  in its ultimate position, when  $Q$  coincides with  $P$ , is a tangent at the point  $P$ .



Since a secant can cut a circle at *two* points only, it is clear that a tangent can have only one point in common with the circumference, namely the point of contact, at which two points of section coincide. Hence we may define a tangent as follows :

3. A **tangent** to a circle is a straight line which meets the circumference at one point only ; and though produced indefinitely does not cut the circumference.

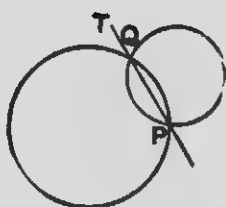


Fig. 1.

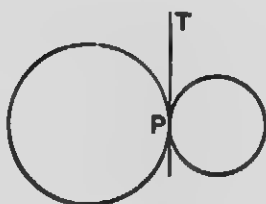


Fig. 2.



Fig. 3.

4. Let two circles intersect (as in Fig. 1) in the points  $P$  and  $Q$ , and let one of the circles turn about the point  $P$ , which remains fixed, in such a way that  $Q$  continually approaches  $P$ . Then in the ultimate position, when  $Q$  coincides with  $P$  (as in Figs. 2 and 3), the circles are said to **touch** one another at  $P$ .

Since two circles cannot intersect in more than *two* points, two circles which touch one another cannot have more than *one* point in common, namely the point of contact at which the two points of section coincide. Hence circles are said to **touch** one another when they meet, but do not cut one another.

**NOTE.** When each of the circles which meet is *outside the other*, as in Fig. 2, they are said to touch one another **externally**, or to have **external contact**; when one of the circles is *within the other*, as in Fig. 3, the first is said to touch the other **internally**, or to have **internal contact** with it.

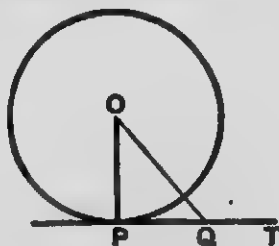
#### INFERENCE FROM DEFINITIONS 2 AND 4

If in Fig. 1,  $TQP$  is a common chord of two circles one of which is made to turn about  $P$ , then when  $Q$  is brought into coincidence with  $P$ , the line  $TP$  passes through two coincident points on each circle, as in Figs. 2 and 3, and therefore becomes a tangent to each circle. Hence

*Two circles which touch one another have a common tangent at their point of contact.*

## THEOREM 42

*The tangent at any point of a circle is perpendicular to the radius drawn to the point of contact.*



Let  $PT$  be a tangent at the point  $P$  to a circle whose centre is  $O$ .

*It is required to prove that  $PT$  is perpendicular to the radius  $OP$ .*

**Proof.** Take any point  $Q$  in  $PT$ , and join  $OQ$ .

Then since  $PT$  is a tangent, every point in it except  $P$  is outside the circle.

$\therefore OQ$  is greater than the radius  $OP$ .

And this is true for every point  $Q$  in  $PT$  ;

$\therefore OP$  is the shortest distance from  $O$  to  $PT$ .

Hence  $OP$  is perp. to  $PT$ . Theor. 12, Cor. 1.

Q.E.D.

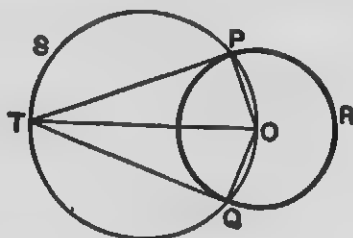
**COROLLARY 1.** Since there can be only one perpendicular to  $OP$  at the point  $P$ , it follows that *one and only one tangent can be drawn to a circle at a given point on the circumference.*

**COROLLARY 2.** Since there can be only one perpendicular to  $PT$  at the point  $P$ , it follows that *the perpendicular to a tangent at its point of contact passes through the centre.*

**COROLLARY 3.** Since there can be only one perpendicular from  $O$  to the line  $PT$ , it follows that *the radius drawn perpendicular to the tangent passes through the point of contact.*

## THEOREM 43

*Two tangents can be drawn to a circle from an external point.*



Let  $PQR$  be a circle whose centre is  $O$ , and let  $T$  be an external point.

*It is required to prove that there can be two tangents drawn to the circle from  $T$ .*

Join  $OT$ , and let  $TSO$  be the circle on  $OT$  as diameter.

This circle will cut the  $\odot PQR$  in two points, since  $T$  is without, and  $O$  is within, the  $\odot PQR$ . Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be these points.

Join  $TP, TQ$ ;  $OP, OQ$ .

**Proof.** Now each of the  $\angle TPO, TQO$ , being in a semi-circle, is a rt. angle ;

$\therefore TP, TQ$  are perp. to the radii  $OP, OQ$  respectively.

$\therefore TP, TQ$  are tangents at  $P$  and  $Q$ . *Theor. 42.*

*Q.E.D.*

**COROLLARY.** *The two tangents to a circle from an external point are equal, and subtend equal angles at the centre.*

For in the  $\triangle TPO, TQO$ ,

because  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{the } \angle TPO, TQO \text{ are right angles,} \\ \text{the hypotenuse } TO \text{ is common,} \\ \text{and } OP = OQ, \text{ being radii ;} \end{array} \right.$

$\therefore TP = TQ$ ,

and the  $\angle TOP = \angle TOQ$ . *Theor. 18.*

## EXERCISES ON THE TANGENT

*(Numerical and Graphical)*

1. Draw two concentric circles with radii 5.0 cm. and 3.0 cm. Draw a series of chords of the former to touch the latter. Calculate and measure their lengths, and account for their being equal.
2. In a circle of radius 1.0'' draw a number of chords each 1.6'' in length. Shew that they all touch a concentric circle, and find its radius.
3. Find to the nearest millimetre the length of any chord of a circle of radius 5.0 cm., which touches a concentric circle of radius 2.5 cm., and check your work by measurement.
4. In the figure of Theorem 43, if  $OP = 5''$ ,  $TO = 13''$ , find the length of  $TP$  and  $TQ$ . Draw the figure (scale 2 cm. to 5''), and measure to the nearest degree the angles subtended at  $O$  by the tangents.
5. The tangents from  $T$  to a circle whose radius is 0.7'' are each 2.4'' in length. Find the distance of  $T$  from the centre of the circle. Draw the figure and check your result graphically.

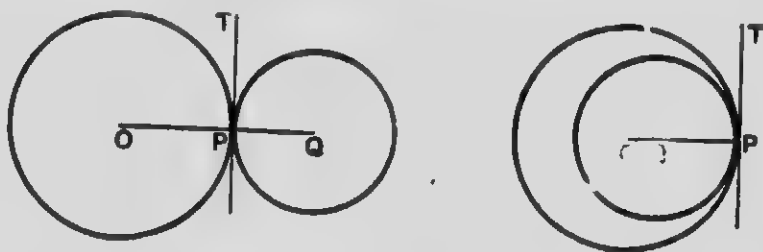
*(Theoretical)*

6. The centre of any circle which touches two intersecting straight lines must lie on the bisector of the angle between them.
7.  $AB$  and  $AC$  are two tangents to a circle whose centre is  $O$ ; shew that  $AO$  bisects the chord of contact  $BC$  at right angles.
8. If  $PQ$  is joined in the figure of Theorem 43 shew that the angle  $PTQ$  is double the angle  $OPQ$ .
9. Two parallel tangents to a circle intercept on any third tangent a segment which subtends a right angle at the centre.
10. The diameter of a circle bisects all chords which are parallel to the tangent at either extremity.
11. Find the locus of the centres of all circles which touch (i) a given straight line at a given point, (ii) each of two parallel straight lines, (iii) each of two intersecting straight lines.
12. In any quadrilateral circumscribed about a circle, the sum of one pair of opposite sides is equal to the sum of the other pair. State and prove the converse theorem.
13. If a quadrilateral is described about a circle, the angles subtended at the centre by any two opposite sides are supplementary.



## THEOREM 44

*If two circles touch one another, the centres and the point of contact are in one straight line.*



Let two circles whose centres are  $O$  and  $Q$  touch at the point  $P$ .

*It is required to prove that  $O$ ,  $P$ , and  $Q$  are in one straight line.*

Join  $OP$ ,  $QP$ .

**Proof.** Since the given circles touch at  $P$ , they have a common tangent at that point. Page 169.

Suppose  $PT$  to touch both circles at  $P$ .

Then since  $OP$  and  $QP$  are radii drawn to the point of contact,

$\therefore OP$  and  $QP$  are both perp. to  $PT$  ;

$\therefore OP$  and  $QP$  are in one st. line. Theor. 2.

That is, the points  $O$ ,  $P$ , and  $Q$  are in one st. line. Q.E.D.

**COROLLARIES.** (i) *If two circles touch externally the distance between their centres is equal to the sum of their radii.*

(ii) *If two circles touch internally, the distance between their centres is equal to the difference of their radii.*

## EXERCISES ON THE CONTACT OF CIRCLES

(Numerical and Graphical)

1. From centres 2.6'' apart draw two circles with radii 1.7'' and 0.9'' respectively. Why and where do these circles touch?

If circles of the above radii are drawn from centres 0.8'' apart, prove that they touch. How and why does the contact differ from that in the former case?

2. Draw a triangle  $ABC$  in which  $a = 8$  cm.,  $b = 7$  cm., and  $c = 6$  cm. From  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  as centres draw circles of radii 2.5 cm., 3.5 cm., and 4.5 cm. respectively; and shew that these circles touch in pairs.

3. In the triangle  $ABC$ , right-angled at  $C$ ,  $a = 8$  cm. and  $b = 6$  cm.; and from centre  $A$  with radius 7 cm. a circle is drawn. Find the radius of a circle drawn from centre  $B$  to touch the first circle.

4.  $A$  and  $B$  are the centres of two fixed circles which touch internally. If  $P$  is the centre of any circle which touches the larger circle internally and the smaller externally, prove that  $AP + BP$  is constant.

If the fixed circles have radii 5.0 cm. and 3.0 cm. respectively, verify the general result by taking different positions for  $P$ .

5.  $AB$  is a line 4'' in length, and  $C$  is its middle point. On  $AB$ ,  $AC$ ,  $CB$  semi-circles are described. Shew that if a circle is inscribed in the space enclosed by the three semi-circles its radius must be  $\frac{1}{2}$ ''.

(Theoretical)

6. A straight line is drawn through the point of contact of two circles whose centres are  $A$  and  $B$ , cutting the circumferences at  $P$  and  $Q$  respectively; shew that the radii  $AP$  and  $BQ$  are parallel.

7. Two circles touch externally, and through the point of contact a straight line is drawn terminated by the circumferences; shew that the tangents at its extremities are parallel.

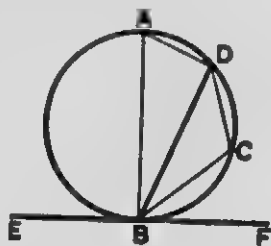
8. Find the locus of the centres of all circles which touch a given circle (i) at a given point; (ii) and are of a given radius.

9. From a given point as centre describe a circle to touch a given circle. How many solutions will there be?

10. Describe a circle of radius  $a$  to touch a given circle of radius  $b$  at a given point. How many solutions will there be?

## THEOREM 45. [Euclid III. 32]

*The angles made by a tangent to a circle with a chord drawn from the point of contact are respectively equal to the angles in the alternate segments of the circle.*



Let  $EF$  touch the  $\odot ABC$  at  $B$ , and let  $BD$  be a chord drawn from  $B$ , the point of contact.

*It is required to prove that*

- (i) *the  $\angle FBD =$  the angle in the alternate segment  $BAD$  ;*
- (ii) *the  $\angle EBD =$  the angle in the alternate segment  $BCD$ .*

Let  $BA$  be the diameter through  $B$ , and  $C$  any point in the arc of the segment which does not contain  $A$ .

Join  $AD, DC, CB$ .

**Proof.** Because the  $\angle ADB$  in a semi-circle is a rt. angle,  
 $\therefore$  the  $\angle DBA, BAD$  together = a rt. angle.

But since  $EBF$  is a tangent, and  $BA$  a diameter,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle FBA$  is a rt. angle.

$\therefore$  the  $\angle FBA =$  the  $\angle DBA, BAD$  together.

Take away the common  $\angle DBA$ ,

then the  $\angle FBD =$  the  $\angle BAD$ , in the alternate segment.

Again because  $ABCD$  is a cyclic quadrilateral,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle BCD =$  the supplement of the  $\angle BAD$   
 $=$  the supplement of the  $\angle FBD$   
 $=$  the  $\angle EBD$  ;

$\therefore$  the  $\angle EBD =$  the  $\angle BCD$ , in the alternate segment.

Q.E.D.

## EXERCISES ON THEOREM 45

1. In the figure of Theorem 45, if the  $\angle FBD = 72^\circ$ , write down the values of the  $\angle BAD, BCD, EBD$ .
2. Use this theorem to shew that tangents to a circle from an external point are equal.
3. Through  $A$ , the point of contact of two circles, chords  $APQ$ ,  $AXY$  are drawn; shew that  $PX$  and  $QY$  are parallel.  
Prove this (i) for internal, (ii) for external contact.
4.  $AB$  is the common chord of two circles, one of which passes through  $O$ , the centre of the other; prove that  $OA$  bisects the angle between the common chord and the tangent to the first circle at  $A$ .
5. Two circles intersect at  $A$  and  $B$ ; and through  $P$ , any point on one of them, straight lines  $PAC$ ,  $PBD$  are drawn to cut the other at  $C$  and  $D$ ; shew that  $CD$  is parallel to the tangent at  $P$ .
6. If from the point of contact of a tangent to a circle a chord is drawn, the perpendiculars dropped on the tangent and chord from the middle point of either are cut off by the chord are equal.
7. Deduce Theorem 44 from the property that *the line of centres bisects a common chord at right angles*.
8. Deduce Theorem 45 from Ex. 5, page 165.
9. Deduce Theorem 42 from Theorem 39.

## PROBLEMS

## GEOMETRICAL ANALYSIS

Hitherto the Propositions of this text-book have been arranged **Synthetically**, that is to say, by *building up known results* in order to obtain a new result.

But this arrangement, though convincing as an argument, in most cases affords little clue as to the way in which the construction or proof *was discovered*. We therefore draw the student's attention to the following hints.

In attempting to solve a problem begin by *assuming* the required result ; then by working backwards, trace the consequences of the assumption, and : : to ascertain its dependence on some condition or known theorem which suggests the necessary construction. If this attempt is successful, the steps of the argument may in general be re-arranged in reverse order, and the construction and proof presented in a synthetic form.

This unravelling of the conditions of a proposition in order to trace it back to some earlier principle on which it depends is called **geometrical analysis** : it is the natural way of attacking the harder types of exercises, and it is especially useful in solving problems.

Although the above directions do not amount to a *method*, they often furnish a very effective mode of *searching for a suggestion*. The approach by analysis will be illustrated in some of the following problems. [See Problems 24, 29, 30.]

## PROBLEM 21

*Given a circle, or an arc of a circle, to find its centre.*

Let  $ABC$  be an arc of a circle whose centre is to be found.

**Construction.** Take two chords  $AB$ ,  $BC$ , and bisect them at right angles by the lines  $DE$ ,  $FG$ , meeting at  $O$ .

*Prob. 2.*

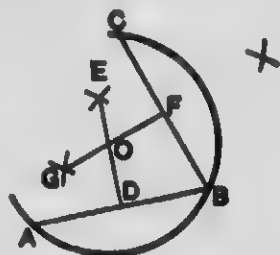
Then  $O$  is the required centre.

**Proof.** Every point in  $DE$  is equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$ . *Prob. 14.*

And every point in  $FG$  is equidistant from  $B$  and  $C$ .

$\therefore O$  is equidistant from  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ .

$\therefore O$  is the centre of the circle  $ABC$ . *Theor. 36.*



## PROBLEM 22

*To bisect a given arc.*

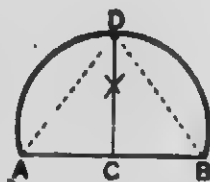
Let  $ADB$  be the given arc to be bisected.

**Construction.** Join  $AB$ , and bisect it at right angles by  $CD$  meeting the arc at  $D$ .

*Prob. 2.*

Then the arc is bisected at  $D$ .

**Proof.** Join  $DA$ ,  $DB$ .



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Then every point on  $CD$  is equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$ ;

*Prob. 14.*

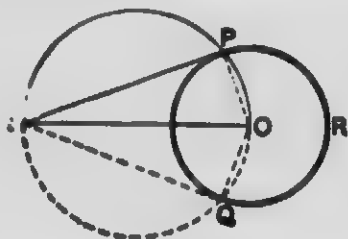
$\therefore DA = DB$ ;

$\therefore$  the  $\angle DBA =$  the  $\angle DAB$ ; *Theor. 6.*

$\therefore$  the arcs, which subtend these angles at the  $\circ^{\infty}$ , are equal ;  
that is, the arc  $DA =$  the arc  $DB$ .

## PROBLEM 23

To draw a tangent to a circle from a given external point.



Let  $PQR$  be the given circle with its centre at  $O$ ; and let  $T$  be the point from which a tangent is to be drawn.

**Construction.** Join  $TO$ , and on it describe a semi-circle  $TPO$  to cut the circle at  $P$ .

Join  $TP$ .

Then  $TP$  is the required tangent.

**Proof.**

Join  $OP$ .

Then since the  $\angle TPO$ , being in a semi-circle, is a rt. angle,

$\therefore TP$  is at right angles to the radius  $OP$ .

$\therefore TP$  is a tangent at  $P$ .

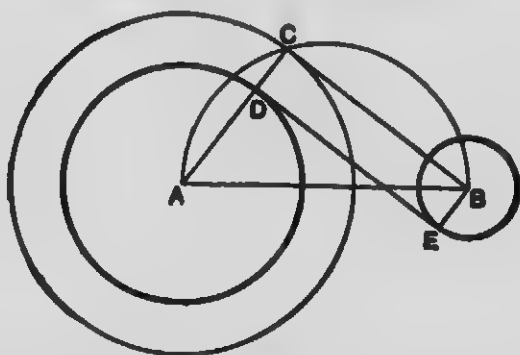
*Theor. 42.*

Since the semi-circle may be described on either side of  $TO$ , a second tangent  $TQ$  can be drawn from  $T$ , as shewn in the figure.

*Obs.* Since two tangents, such as  $BC$ , can in general be drawn from  $B$  to the circle of construction, this method will furnish two common tangents to the given circles. These are called the **direct common tangents**.



## PROBLEM 24. (Continued)



Again, if the circles are *external to one another* two more common tangents may be drawn.

**Analysis.** In this case we may suppose  $DE$  to touch the circles at  $D$  and  $E$  so that the radii  $AD$ ,  $BE$  fall on *opposite sides of  $AB$* .

Then  $BC$ , drawn *par<sup>l</sup>* to the supposed common tangent  $DE$ , would meet  $AD$  *produced* at  $C$ ; and we should now have

$AC = AD + DC = a + b$ ; and the  $\angle ACB$  is a *rt. angle*.

Hence the following construction.

**Construction.** With centre  $A$ , and radius equal to the *sum* of the radii of the given circles, describe a circle, and draw  $BC$  to touch it.

Then proceed as in the first case, but draw  $BE$  in the sense *opposite to  $AD$* .

**Obs.** As before, two tangents may be drawn from  $B$  to the circle of construction; hence two common tangents may be thus drawn to the given circles. These are called the **transverse common tangents**.

[We leave as an exercise to the student the arrangement of the proof in synthetic form.]

## EXERCISES ON COMMON TANGENTS

*(Numerical and Graphical)*

1. How many common tangents can be drawn (i) when the given circles intersect; (ii) when they have external contact; (iii) when they have internal contact?

Illustrate your answer by drawing two circles of radii 1.4" and 1.0" respectively, (i) with 1.0" between the centres; (ii) with 2.4" between the centres; (iii) with 0.4" between the centres; (iv) with 3.0" between the centres.

Draw the common tangents in each case, and note where the general construction fails, or is modified.

2. Draw two circles with radii 2.0" and 0.8", placing their centres 2.0" apart. Draw the common tangents, and find their lengths between the points of contact, both by calculation and by measurement.

3. Draw all the common tangents to two circles whose centres are 1.8" apart and whose radii are 0.6" and 1.2" respectively. Calculate and measure the length of the direct common tangents.

4. Two circles of radii 1.7" and 1.0" have their centres 2.1" apart. Draw their common tangents and find their lengths. Also find the length of the common chord. Produce the common chord and shew by measurement that it bisects the common tangents.

5. Draw two circles with radii 1.6" and 0.8" and with their centres 3.0" apart. Draw all their common tangents.

6. Draw the direct common tangents to two equal circles.

*(Theoretical)*

7. If the two direct, or the two transverse, common tangents are drawn to two circles, the parts of the tangents intercepted between the points of contact are equal.

8. If four common tangents are drawn to two circles external to one another, shew that the two direct, and also the two transverse, tangents intersect on the line of centres.

9. Two given circles have external contact at  $A$ , and a direct common tangent is drawn to touch them at  $P$  and  $Q$ ; shew that  $PQ$  subtends a right angle at the point  $A$ .

## ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF CIRCLES

In order to draw a circle we must know (i) the position of the centre, (ii) the length of the radius.

(i) To find the position of the centre, two conditions are needed, each giving a locus on which the centre must lie ; so that the one or more points in which the two loci intersect are possible positions of the required centre, as explained on page 93.

(ii) The position of the centre being thus fixed, the radius is determined if we know (or can find) any point on the circumference.

Hence to draw a circle *three* independent data are required.

For example, we may draw a circle if we are given (i) *three* points on the circumference; or (ii) *three* tangent lines; or (iii) one point on the circumference, one tangent, and its point of contact.

It will however often happen that more than one circle can be drawn satisfying three given conditions.

Before attempting the constructions of the next Exercise the student should make himself familiar with the following loci.

(i) *The locus of the centres of circles which pass through two given points.*

(ii) *The locus of the centres of circles which touch a given straight line at a given point.*

(iii) *The locus of the centres of circles which touch a given circle at a given point.*

(iv) *The locus of the centres of circles which touch a given straight line, and have a given radius.*

(v) *The locus of the centres of circles which touch a given circle, and have a given radius.*

(vi) *The locus of the centres of circles which touch two given straight lines.*

## EXERCISES

1. Draw a circle to pass through three given points.

2. If a circle touches a given line  $PQ$  at a point  $A$ , on what line must its centre lie?

If a circle passes through two given points  $A$  and  $B$ , on what line must its centre lie?

Hence draw a circle to touch a straight line  $PQ$  at the point  $A$ , and to pass through another given point  $B$ .

3. If a circle touches a given circle whose centre is  $C$  at the point  $A$ , on what line must its centre lie?

Draw a circle to touch the given circle ( $C$ ) at the point  $A$ , and to pass through a given point  $B$ .

4. A point  $P$  is 4.5 cm. distant from a straight line  $AB$ . Draw two circles of radius 3.2 cm. to pass through  $P$  and to touch  $AB$ .

5. Given two circles of radius 3.0 cm. and 2.0 cm. respectively, their centres being 6.0 cm. apart; draw a circle of radius 3.5 cm. to touch each of the given circles externally.

How many solutions will there be? What is the radius of the smallest circle that touches each of the given circles externally?

6. If a circle touches two straight lines  $AO$ ,  $OB$ , on what line must its centre lie?

Draw  $OA$ ,  $OB$ , making an angle of  $76^\circ$ , and describe a circle of radius 1.2" to touch both lines.

7. Given a circle of radius 3.5 cm., with its centre 5.0 cm. from a given straight line  $AB$ ; draw two circles of radius 2.5 cm. to touch the given circle and the line  $AB$ .

8. Devise a construction for drawing a circle to touch each of two parallel straight lines and a transversal.

Shew that two such circles can be drawn, and that they are equal.

9. Describe a circle to touch a given circle, and also to touch a given straight line at a given point.

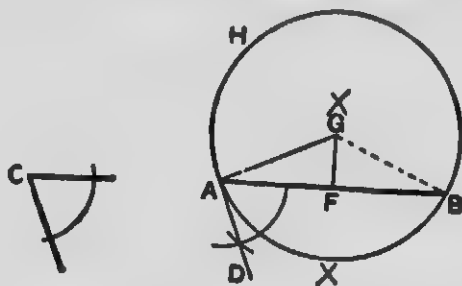
10. Describe a circle to touch a given straight line, and to touch a given circle at a given point.

11. Shew how to draw a circle to touch each of three given straight lines of which no two are parallel.

How many such circles can be drawn?

PROBLEM 25

*On a given straight line to describe a segment of a circle which shall contain an angle equal to a given angle.*



Let  $AB$  be the given st. line, and  $C$  the given angle.

*It is required to describe on  $AB$  a segment of a circle containing an angle equal to  $C$ .*

**Construction.** At  $A$  in  $BA$ , make the  $\angle BAD$  equal to the  $\angle C$ .

From  $A$  draw  $AG$  perp. to  $AD$ .

Bisect  $AB$  at rt. angles by  $FG$ , meeting  $AG$  in  $G$ . *Prob. 2.*

**Proof.** Join  $GB$ .

Now every point in  $FG$  is equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$ ;

$$\therefore GA = GB.$$

*Prob. 14.*

With centre  $G$ , and radius  $GA$ , draw a circle, which must pass through  $B$ , and touch  $AD$  at  $A$ .

Then the segment  $AHB$ , alternate to the  $\angle BAD$ , contains an angle equal to  $C$ .

*Theor. 45.*

**NOTE.** In the particular case when the given angle is a rt. angle, the segment required will be the semi-circle on  $AB$  as diameter. [Theorem 39.]

**COROLLARY.** *To cut off from a given circle a segment containing a given angle, it is enough to draw a tangent to the circle, and from the point of contact to draw a chord making with the tangent an angle equal to the given angle.*

It was proved on page 163 that

*The locus of the vertices of triangles which stand on the same base and have a given vertical angle, is the arc of the segment standing on this base, and containing an angle equal to the given angle.*

The following Problems are derived from this result by the Method of Intersection of Loci [page 93].

### EXERCISES

1. *Describe a triangle on a given base having a given vertical angle and having its vertex on a given straight line.*

2. *Construct a triangle having given the base, the vertical angle and*

(i) *one other side.*

(ii) *the altitude.*

(iii) *the length of the median which bisects the base.*

(iv) *the foot of the perpendicular from the vertex to the base.*

3. *Construct a triangle having given the base, the vertical angle, and the point at which the base is cut by the bisector of the vertical angle.*

[Let  $AB$  be the base,  $X$  the given point in it, and  $K$  the given angle. On  $AB$  describe a segment of a circle containing an angle equal to  $K$ ; complete the  $\odot^{\infty}$  by drawing the arc  $APB$ . Bisect the arc  $APB$  at  $P$ ; join  $PX$ , and produce it to meet the  $\odot^{\infty}$  at  $C$ . Then  $ABC$  is the required triangle.]

4. *Construct a triangle having given the base, the vertical angle, and the sum of the remaining sides.*

[Let  $AB$  be the given base,  $K$  the given angle, and  $H$  a line equal to the sum of the sides. On  $AB$  describe a segment containing an angle equal to  $K$ , also another segment containing an angle equal to half the  $\angle K$ . With centre  $A$ , and radius  $H$ , describe a circle cutting the arc of the latter segment at  $X$  and  $Y$ . Join  $AX$  (or  $AY$ ) cutting the arc of the first segment at  $C$ . Then  $ABC$  is the required triangle.]

5. *Construct a triangle having given the base, the vertical angle, and the difference of the remaining sides.*

## CIRCLES IN RELATION TO RECTILINEAL FIGURES

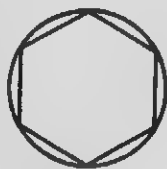
## DEFINITIONS

1. A **Polygon** is a rectilineal figure bounded by more than four sides.

A Polygon of *five* sides is called a **Pentagon**,  
 A Polygon of *six* sides is called a **Hexagon**,  
 A Polygon of *seven* sides is called a **Heptagon**,  
 A Polygon of *eight* sides is called an **Octagon**,  
 A Polygon of *ten* sides is called a **Decagon**,  
 A Polygon of *twelve* sides is called a **Dodecagon**,  
 A Polygon of *fifteen* sides is called a **Quindecagon**.

2. A Polygon is **Regular** when all its sides are equal, and all its angles are equal.

3. A rectilineal figure is said to be **inscribed** in a circle, when all its angular points are on the circumference of the circle ; and a circle is said to be **circumscribed** about a rectilineal figure, when the circumference of the circle passes through all the angular points of the figure.

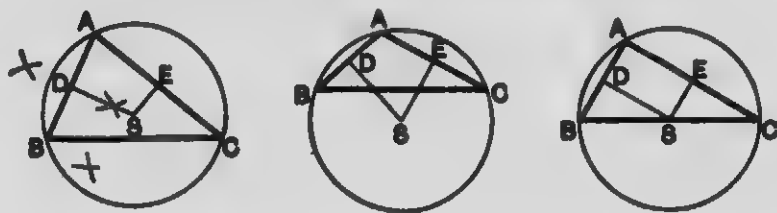


4. A circle is said to be **inscribed** in a rectilineal figure, when the circumference of the circle is touched by each side of the figure ; and a rectilineal figure is said to be **circumscribed** about a circle, when each side of the figure is a tangent to the circle.



## PROBLEM 26

*To circumscribe a circle about a given triangle.*



Let  $ABC$  be the triangle, about which a circle is to be drawn.

**Construction.** Bisect  $AB$  and  $AC$  at rt. angles by  $DS$  and  $ES$ , meeting at  $S$ . *Prob. 2.*

Then  $S$  is the centre of the required circle.

**Proof.** Now every point in  $DS$  is equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$ ; *Prob. 14.*

and every point in  $ES$  is equidistant from  $A$  and  $C$ ;

$\therefore S$  is equidistant from  $A, B$ , and  $C$ .

With centre  $S$ , and radius  $SA$  describe a circle; this will pass through  $B$  and  $C$ , and is, therefore, the required circum-circle.

*Obs.* It will be found that if the given triangle is acute-angled, the centre of the circum-circle falls within it: if it is a right-angled triangle, the centre falls on the hypotenuse: if it is an obtuse-angled triangle, the centre falls without the triangle.

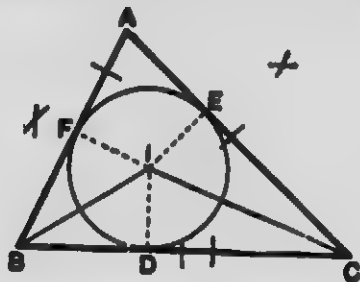
**NOTE.** From page 91 it is seen that if  $S$  is joined to the middle point of  $BC$ , then the joining line is perpendicular to  $BC$ .

Hence the perpendiculars drawn to the sides of a triangle from their middle points are concurrent, the point of intersection being the centre of the circle circumscribed about the triangle.



PROBLEM 27

To inscribe a circle in a given triangle.



Let  $ABC$  be the triangle, in which a circle is to be inscribed.

**Construction.** Bisect the  $\angle ABC, ACB$  by the st. lines  $BI, CI$ , which intersect at  $I$ . Prob. 1.

Then  $I$  is the centre of the required circle.

**Proof.** From  $I$  draw  $ID, IE, IF$  perp. to  $BC, CA, AB$ .  
Then every point in  $BI$  is equidistant from  $BC, BA$ ; Prob. 15.

$$\therefore ID = IF.$$

And every point in  $CI$  is equidistant from  $CB, CA$ ;

$$\therefore ID = IE.$$

$\therefore ID, IE, IF$  are all equal.

With centre  $I$  and radius  $ID$  draw a circle;

this will pass through the points  $E$  and  $F$ .

Also the circle will touch the sides  $BC, CA, AB$ ,  
because the angles at  $D, E, F$  are right angles.

$\therefore$  the  $\odot DEF$  is inscribed in the  $\triangle ABC$ .

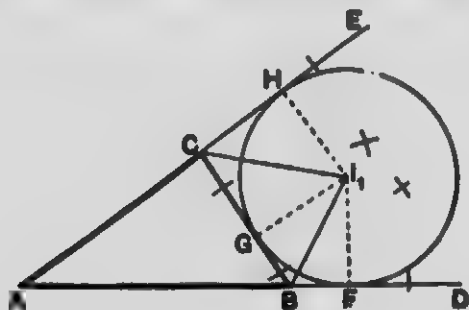
**NOTE.** From II., p. 97 and Problem 27 it follows that

The bisectors of the angles of a triangle are concurrent, the point of intersection being the centre of the inscribed circle.

**Definition.** A circle which touches one side of a triangle and the other two sides produced is called an **escribed circle** of the triangle.

## PROBLEM 28

*To draw an escribed circle of a given triangle.*



Let  $ABC$  be the given triangle of which the sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$  are produced to  $D$  and  $E$ .

*It is required to describe a circle touching  $BC$ , and  $BD$ ,  $CE$ .*

**Construction.** Bisect the  $\angle CBD$ ,  $BCE$  by the st. lines  $BI_1$ ,  $CI_1$  which intersect at  $I_1$ .

Then  $I_1$  is the centre of the required circle.

**Proof.** From  $I_1$  draw  $I_1F$ ,  $I_1G$ ,  $I_1H$  perp. to  $AD$ ,  $BC$ ,  $AE$ . Then every point in  $BI_1$  is equidistant from  $BD$ ,  $BC$ ; Prob. 15.

$$\therefore I_1F = I_1G.$$

$$\text{Similarly } I_1G = I_1H.$$

$$\therefore I_1F, I_1G, I_1H \text{ are all equal.}$$

With centre  $I_1$  and radius  $I_1F$  describe a circle ; this will pass through the points  $G$  and  $H$ .

Also the circle will touch  $AD$ ,  $BC$ , and  $AE$ , because the angles at  $F$ ,  $G$ ,  $H$  are rt. angles.

$\therefore$  the  $\odot FGH$  is an escribed circle of the  $\triangle ABC$ .

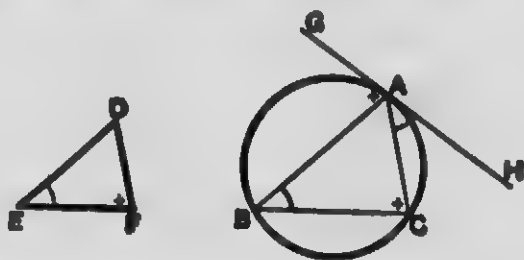
**NOTE 1.** It is clear that every triangle has three escribed circles. Their centres are known as the **Ex-centres**.

**NOTE 2.** From II a, page 97 and Problem 28 it follows that

*The bisectors of two exterior angles of a triangle and of the third angle are concurrent, the point of intersection being an ex-centre.*

PROBLEM 29

*In a given circle to inscribe a triangle equiangular to a given triangle.*



Let  $ABC$  be the given circle, and  $DEF$  the given triangle.

**Analysis.** A triangle  $ABC$ , equiangular to the  $\triangle DEF$ , is inscribed in the circle, if from any point  $A$  on the  $\odot$  two chords  $AB, AC$  can be so placed that, on joining  $BC$ , the  $\angle E$ , and the  $\angle C =$  the  $\angle F$ ; for then the  $\angle A =$  the  $\angle B =$  the  $\angle D$ .

*Theor. 16.*

Now the  $\angle B$ , in the segment  $ABC$ , suggests the equal angle between the chord  $AC$  and the tangent at its extremity (*Theor. 49*); so that, if at  $A$  we draw the tangent  $GAH$ ,

then the  $\angle HAC =$  the  $\angle E$ ;

and similarly, the  $\angle GAB =$  the  $\angle F$ .

Reversing these steps, we have the following construction.

**Construction.** At any point  $A$  on the  $\odot$  of the  $\odot ABC$  draw the tangent  $GAH$ .

*Prob. 23.*

At  $A$  make the  $\angle GAB$  equal to the  $\angle F$ ,

and make the  $\angle HAC$  equal to the  $\angle E$ .

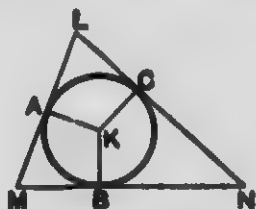
Join  $BC$ .

Then  $ABC$  is the required triangle.

**NOTE.** In drawing the figure on a larger scale the student should shew the construction lines for the tangent  $GAH$  and for the angles  $GAB, HAC$ . A similar remark applies to the next Problem.

## PROBLEM 30

About a given circle to circumscribe a triangle equiangular to a given triangle.



Let  $ABC$  be the given circle, and  $DEF$  the given triangle.

**Analysis.** Suppose  $LMN$  to be a circumscribed triangle in which the  $\angle M =$  the  $\angle E$ , the  $\angle N =$  the  $\angle F$ , and consequently, the  $\angle L = \angle D$ .

Let us consider the radii  $KA$ ,  $KB$ ,  $KC$ , drawn to the points of contact of the sides; for the tangents  $LM$ ,  $MN$ ,  $NL$  could be drawn if we knew the relative positions of  $KA$ ,  $KB$ ,  $KC$ , that is, if we knew the  $\Delta BKA$ ,  $BKC$ .

Now from the quad<sup>l</sup>  $BKAM$ , since the  $\Delta B$  and  $A$  are rt.  $\Delta$ ,

$$\text{the } \angle BKA = 180^\circ - M = 180^\circ - E;$$

$$\text{similarly the } \angle BKC = 180^\circ - N = 180^\circ - F.$$

Hence we have the following construction.

**Construction.** Produce  $EF$  both ways to  $G$  and  $H$ .

Find  $K$  the centre of the  $\odot ABC$ ,  
and draw any radius  $KB$ .

At  $K$  make the  $\angle BKA$  equal to the  $\angle DEG$ ;  
and make the  $\angle BKC$  equal to the  $\angle DFH$ .

Through  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  draw  $LM$ ,  $MN$ ,  $NL$  perp. to  $KA$ ,  $KB$ ,  $KC$ .  
Then  $LMN$  is the required triangle.

[The student should now arrange the proof synthetically.]

# EXERCISES

## ON CIRCLES AND TRIANGLES

### (Inscriptions and Circumscriptions)

1. In a circle of radius 5 cm. inscribe an equilateral triangle; and about the same circle circumscribe a second equilateral triangle. In each case state and justify your construction.

2. Draw an equilateral triangle on a side of 8 cm., and find by calculation and measurement (to the nearest millimetre) the radii of the inscribed, circumscribed, and escribed circles.

Why are the latter radii double and treble of the first?

3. Draw triangles from the following data:

$$(i) a = 2.5'', B = 66^\circ, C = 50^\circ;$$

$$(ii) a = 2.5'', B = 72^\circ, C = 44^\circ;$$

$$(iii) a = 2.5'', B = 41^\circ, C = 23^\circ.$$

Circumscribe a circle about each triangle, and measure the radii to the nearest hundredth of an inch. Account for the results being the same, by comparing the vertical angles.

4. In a circle of radius 4 cm. inscribe an equilateral triangle. Calculate and measure its side to the nearest millimetre.

Find the area of the inscribed equilateral triangle, and shew that it is one quarter of the circumscribed equilateral triangle.

5. In the triangle  $ABC$ , if  $I$  is the centre, and  $r$  the length of the radius of the in-circle, shew that

$$\triangle IBC = \frac{1}{2}ar; \quad \triangle ICA = \frac{1}{2}br; \quad \triangle IAB = \frac{1}{2}cr.$$

Hence prove that  $\triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2}(a + b + c)r$ .

6. If  $r_1$  is the radius of the ex-circle opposite to  $A$ , prove that

$$\triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2}(b + c - a)r_1.$$

If  $a = 5$  cm.,  $b = 4$  cm.,  $c = 3$  cm., verify by measurement the results of Ex. 5 and of this exercise.

7. Find by measurement the circum-radius of the triangle  $ABC$  in which  $a = 6.3$  cm.,  $b = 3.0$  cm., and  $c = 5.1$  cm.

Draw and measure the perpendiculars from  $A, B, C$  to the opposite sides. If their lengths are represented by  $p_1, p_2, p_3$ , verify the following statement:

$$\text{circum-radius} = \frac{bc}{2p_1} = \frac{ca}{2p_2} = \frac{ab}{2p_3}.$$

## EXERCISES

## ON CIRCLES AND SQUARES

*(Inscriptions and Circumscriptions)*

1. Draw a circle of radius 1.5", and find a construction for inscribing a square in it.

Calculate the length of the side to the nearest hundredth of an inch, and verify by measurement.

Find the area of the inscribed square.

2. Circumscribe a square about a circle of radius 1.5", shewing all lines of construction.

Prove that the area of the square circumscribed about a circle is double that of the inscribed square.

3. Draw a square on a side of 7.5 cm., and state a construction for inscribing a circle in it.

Justify your construction by considerations of symmetry.

4. Circumscribe a circle about a square whose side is 6 cm.

Measure the diameter to the nearest millimetre, and test your drawing by calculation.

5. In a circle of radius 1.8" inscribe a rectangle of which one side measures 3.0". Find the approximate length of the other side.

Of all rectangles inscribed in the circle shew that the square has the greatest area.

6. A square and an equilateral triangle are inscribed in a circle. If  $a$  and  $b$  denote the lengths of their sides, shew that  $3a^2 = 2b^2$ .

7.  $ABCD$  is a square inscribed in a circle, and  $P$  is any point on the arc  $AD$ : shew that the side  $AD$  subtends at  $P$  an angle three times as great as that subtended at  $P$  by any one of the other sides.

*(Problems. State your construction, and give a theoretical proof.)*

8. Circumscribe a rhombus about a given circle.

9. Inscribe a square in a given square  $ABCD$ , so that one of its angular points shall be at a given point  $X$  in  $AB$ .

10. In a given square inscribe the square of minimum area.

11. Describe (i) a circle, (ii) a square about a given rectangle.

12. Inscribe (i) a circle, (ii) a square in a given quadrant.

ON CIRCLES AND REGULAR POLYGONS

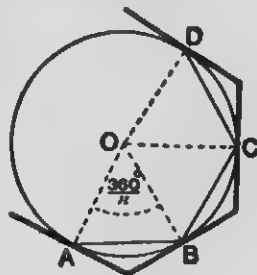
PROBLEM 31

To draw a regular polygon (i) in (ii) about a given circle.

Let  $AB, BC, CD, \dots$  be consecutive sides of a regular polygon inscribed in a circle whose centre is  $O$ .

Then  $AOB, BOC, COD, \dots$  are congruent isosceles triangles. And if the polygon has  $n$  sides, each of the

$$\angle AOB, \angle BOC, \angle COD, \dots = \frac{360^\circ}{n}.$$



(i) Thus to inscribe a polygon of  $n$  sides in a given circle, draw at the centre an angle  $AOB$  of this size. This gives the length of a side  $AB$ ; and chords equal to  $AB$  may now be set off round the circumference. The resulting figure will clearly be equilateral and equiangular.

(ii) To circumscribe a polygon of  $n$  sides about the circle, the points  $A, B, C, D, \dots$  must be determined as before, and tangents drawn to the circle at these points. The resulting figure may readily be proved equilateral and equiangular.

NOTE. This method gives a *strict geometrical construction* only when the angle  $AOB$  can be drawn with ruler and compasses.

EXERCISES

1. By strict constructions inscribe in a circle (radius 4 cm.) a regular (i) hexagon; (ii) octagon; (iii) dodecagon.
2. About a circle of radius 1.5" circumscribe a regular (i) hexagon; (ii) octagon. Test the constructions by measurement, and justify them by proof.
3. Compare the sides and also the areas of an equilateral triangle and a regular hexagon inscribed in any circle.
4. Using a protractor inscribe a regular heptagon in a circle of radius 2". Calculate and measure one angle; measure a side.

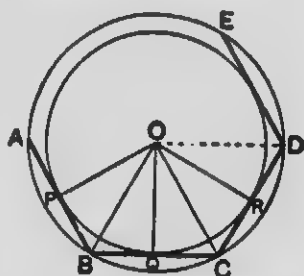
## PROBLEM 32

To draw a circle (i) in (ii) about a regular polygon.

Let  $AB, BC, CD, DE, \dots$  be consecutive sides of a regular polygon of  $n$  sides.

Bisect the  $\triangle ABC, BCD$  by  $BO, CO$  meeting at  $O$ .

Then  $O$  is the centre both of the inscribed and circumscribed circle.



**Outline of Proof.** Join  $OD$ ; and from the congruent  $\triangle OCB, OCD$ , shew that  $OD$  bisects the  $\angle CDE$  and that:

*All the bisectors of the angles of the polygon meet at  $O$ .*

(i) Prove that  $OB = OC = OD = \dots$ ; from Theorem 6.

Hence  $O$  is the circum-centre.

(ii) Draw  $OP, OQ, OR, \dots$  perp. to  $AB, BC, CD, \dots$ .

Prove that  $OP = OQ = OR = \dots$ ; from the congruent  $\triangle OBP, OBQ, \dots$ .

Hence  $O$  is the in-centre.

## EXERCISES

1. Draw a regular hexagon on a side of 2.0". Draw the inscribed and circumscribed circles. Calculate and measure their diameters to the nearest hundredth of an inch.

2. Shew that the area of a regular hexagon inscribed in a circle is three-fourths of that of the circumscribed hexagon.

Find these to the nearest tenth of a sq. cm. (radius 10 cm.).

3. If  $ABC$  is an isosceles triangle inscribed in a circle, having each of the angles  $B$  and  $C$  double of the angle  $A$ ; shew that  $BC$  is a side of a regular pentagon inscribed in the circle.

4. On a side of 4 cm. construct (without protractor) a regular (i) hexagon; (ii) octagon; and in each case find the approximate area of the figure.



## THE CIRCUMFERENCE OF A CIRCLE

By experiment and measurement it is found that the length of the circumference of a circle is roughly  $3\frac{1}{2}$  times the length of its diameter: that is to say

$$\frac{\text{circumference}}{\text{diameter}} = 3\frac{1}{2} \text{ nearly;}$$

and it can be proved that this is the same for all circles.

A more correct value of this ratio is found by theory to be 3.1416; while correct to 7 places of decimals it is 3.1415926. Thus the value  $3\frac{1}{2}$  (or 3.1428) is correct to 2 places only.

The ratio which the circumference of any circle bears to its diameter is denoted by the Greek letter  $\pi$ ; so that

$$\text{circumference} = \text{diameter} \times \pi = 2r \times \pi = 2\pi r;$$

where  $r$  denotes the radius of the circle and where to  $\pi$  we are to give one of the values  $3\frac{1}{2}$ , 3.1416, or 3.1415926, according to the degree of accuracy required in the final result.

NOTE. The theoretical methods by which  $\pi$  is evaluated to any required degree of accuracy cannot be explained at this stage, but its value may be easily verified by experiment to two decimal places.

For example: round a cylinder wrap a strip of paper so that the ends overlap. At any point in the overlapping area prick a pin through both folds. Unwrap and straighten the strip, then measure the distance between the pin holes: this gives the circumference. Measure the diameter, and divide the first result by the second.

Ex. 1. From these data find and record the value of  $\pi$ .

Find the mean of the three results.

CIRCUMFERENCE.	DIAMETER.	VALUE OF $\pi$ .
16.0cm.	5.1 cm.	
8.8"	2.8"	
13.5'	4.3'	

Ex. 2. A fine thread is wound evenly round a cylinder, and it is found that the length required for 20 complete turns is 75.4". The diameter of the cylinder is 1.2": find roughly the value of  $\pi$ .

Ex. 3. A bicycle wheel, 28" in diameter, makes 400 revolutions in travelling over 977 yards. Hence estimate the value of  $\pi$ .

## THE AREA OF A CIRCLE

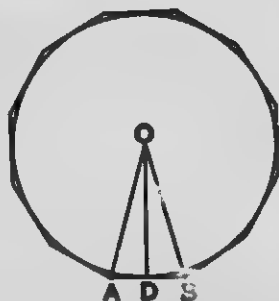
Let  $AB$  be a side of a polygon of  $n$  sides circumscribed about a circle whose centre is  $O$  and radius  $r$ . Then

$$\text{Area of polygon} = n \cdot \triangle AOB$$

$$= n \cdot \frac{1}{2} AB \times OD = \frac{1}{2} n AB \times r$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\text{perimeter of polygon}) \times r;$$

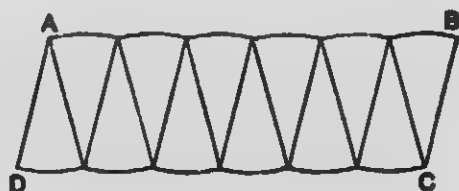
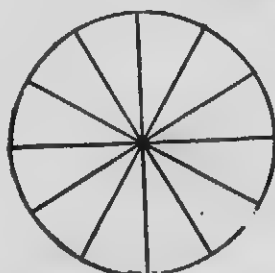
and this is true however many sides the polygon may have.



Now if the number of sides is increased without limit, the perimeter and area of the polygon may be made to differ from the circumference and area of the circle by quantities smaller than any that can be named; hence ultimately

$$\text{Area of circle} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \text{circumference} \times r = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\pi r \times r = \pi r^2.$$

## ALTERNATIVE METHOD



Suppose the circle divided into any even number of sectors having equal central angles: denote the number of sectors by  $n$ .

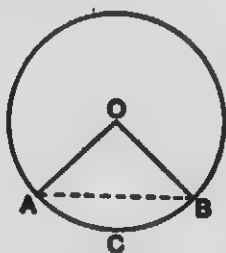
Let the sectors be placed side by side as in the diagram; then the area of the circle = the area of the fig.  $ABCD$ .

Now if the number of sectors be increased, each arc is decreased; so that (i) the outlines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  tend to become straight, and (ii) the angles at  $D$  and  $B$  tend to become rt. angles.

Thus when  $n$  is increased without limit, the fig.  $ABCD$  ultimately becomes a rectangle, whose length is the semi-circumference of the circle, and whose breadth is its radius.

$$\therefore \text{Area of circle} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \text{circumference} \times \text{radius} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\pi r \times r = \pi r^2.$$

### THE AREA OF A SECTOR



If two radii of a circle make an angle of  $1^\circ$ , they cut off  
 (i) an arc whose length =  $\frac{1}{360}$  of the circumference ;  
 and (ii) a sector whose area =  $\frac{1}{360}$  of the circle ;  
 $\therefore$  if the angle  $AOB$  contains  $D$  degrees, then

$$(i) \text{ the arc } AB = \frac{D}{360} \text{ of the circumference ;}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (ii) \text{ the sector } AOB &= \frac{D}{360} \text{ of the area of the circle} \\ &= \frac{D}{360} \text{ of } \left( \frac{1}{2} \text{ circumference} \times \text{radius} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \text{arc } AB \times \text{radius.} \end{aligned}$$

### THE AREA OF A SEGMENT

The area of a minor segment is found by subtracting from the corresponding sector the area of the triangle formed by the chord and the radii. Thus

$$\text{Area of segment } ABC = \text{sector } OACB - \text{triangle } AOB.$$

The area of a major segment is most simply found by subtracting the area of the corresponding minor segment from the area of the circle.

## EXERCISES

[In each case choose the value of  $\pi$  so as to give a result of the assigned degree of accuracy.]

1. Find to the nearest millimetre the circumferences of the circles whose radii are (i) 4.5 cm. (ii) 100 cm.
2. Find to the nearest hundredth of a square inch the areas of the circles whose radii are (i) 2.3". (ii) 10.6".
3. Find to two places of decimals the circumference and area of a circle inscribed in a square whose side is 3.6 cm.
4. In a circle of radius 7.0 cm. a square is described: find to the nearest square centimetre the difference between the areas of the circle and the square.
5. Find to the nearest hundredth of a square inch the area of the circular ring formed by two concentric circles whose radii are 5.7" and 4.3".
6. Shew that the area of a ring lying between the circumferences of two concentric circles is equal to the area of a circle whose radius is the length of a tangent to the inner circle from any point on the outer.
7. A rectangle whose sides are 8.0 cm and 6.0 cm. is inscribed in a circle. Calculate to the nearest tenth of a square centimetre the total area of the four segments outside the rectangle.
8. Find to the nearest tenth of an inch the side of a square whose area is equal to that of a circle of radius 5".
9. A circular ring is formed by the circumference of two concentric circles. The area of the ring is 22 square inches, and its width is 1.0"; taking  $\pi$  as  $\frac{22}{7}$ , find approximately the radii of the two circles.
10. Find to the nearest hundredth of a square inch the difference between the areas of the circumscribed and inscribed circles of an equilateral triangle each of whose sides is 4".

## EXERCISES

(Theoretical)

1. Describe a circle to touch two parallel straight lines and a third straight line which meets them. Shew that two such circles can be drawn, and that they are equal.
2. *Triangles which have equal bases and equal vertical angles have equal circumscribed circles.*
3. If, in a triangle,  $ABC$ ,  $I$ ,  $S$ , the centres of the inscribed and circumscribed circles, and  $A$  are collinear, then  $AB = AC$ .
4. The sum of the diameters of the inscribed and circumscribed circles of a right-angled triangle is equal to the sum of the sides containing the right angle.
5. If the circle inscribed in the triangle  $ABC$  touches the sides at  $D$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$ ; shew that the angles of the triangle  $DEF$  are respectively the complements of the halves of the angles  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ .
6. If  $I$  is the centre of the inscribed circle and  $I_1$  the centre of the escribed circle of the triangle  $ABC$ , then  $I$ ,  $B$ ,  $I_1$ ,  $C$  are concyclic.
7. In any triangle the difference of two sides is equal to the difference of the segments into which the third side is divided at the point of contact of the inscribed circle.
8. In the triangle  $ABC$ ,  $I$  and  $S$  are the centres of the inscribed and circumscribed circles: then  $IS$  subtends at  $A$  an angle equal to half the difference of the angles at the base of the triangle. Also if  $AD$  is perpendicular to  $BC$ ,  $AI$  bisects the  $\angle DAS$ .
9. The diagonals of a quadrilateral  $ABCD$  intersect at  $O$ : shew that the centres of the circles circumscribed about the four triangles  $AOB$ ,  $BOC$ ,  $COD$ ,  $DOA$  are the vertices of a parallelogram.
10. In any triangle  $ABC$ , if  $I$  is the centre of the inscribed circle, and if  $AI$  is produced to meet the circumscribed circle at  $O$ ,  $O$  is the centre of the circum-circle of the triangle  $BIC$ .
11. Given the base, altitude, and the radius of the circumscribed circle; construct the triangle.
12. Three circles whose centres are  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  touch one another externally two by two at  $D$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$ : shew that the inscribed circle of the triangle  $ABC$  is the circumscribed circle of the triangle  $DEF$ .

## EXERCISES

(Loci)

1. Given the base  $BC$  and the vertical angle  $A$  of a triangle; find the locus of the ex-centre opposite  $A$ .
2. Find the locus of the intersection of the bisectors of the angles  $PAB, QBA$  if  $A, B$  are fixed and  $PA, BQ$  are constantly parallel.
3. Find the locus of the middle points of chords of a circle which pass through a fixed point (i) within, (ii) on, (iii) without the circumference.
4. Find the locus of the points of contact of tangents drawn from a fixed point to a system of concentric circles.
5. Find the locus of the intersection of straight lines which pass through two fixed points on a circle and intercept on its circumference an arc of constant length.
6.  $A$  and  $B$  are two fixed points on the circumference of a circle, and  $PQ$  is any diameter; if  $PA, QB$  cut in  $X$ , find the locus of  $X$ .
7.  $BAC$  is any triangle described on the fixed base  $BC$  and having a constant vertical angle; and  $BA$  is produced to  $P$ , so that  $AP$  is equal to  $AC$ ; find the locus of  $P$ .
8.  $AB$  is a fixed chord of a circle, and  $AC$  is a movable chord passing through  $A$ ; if the parallelogram  $CB$  is completed, find the locus of the intersection of its diagonals.
9. A straight rod  $PQ$  slides between two rulers placed at right angles to one another, and from its extremities  $PX, QX$  are drawn perpendicular to the rulers; find the locus of  $X$ .
10. Two circles intersect at  $A$  and  $B$ , and  $P$  is any point on the circumference of one of them. If the lines  $PA, PB$  cut the other circle at  $X$  and  $Y$ , find the locus of the intersection of  $AY$  and  $BX$ .
11. Two circles intersect at  $A$  and  $B$ ;  $HAK$  is a fixed straight line drawn through  $A$  and terminated by the circumferences, and  $PAQ$  is any other straight line similarly drawn; find the locus of the intersection of  $HP$  and  $QK$ .

## PART IV

### ON PROPORTION

#### DEFINITIONS AND FIRST PRINCIPLES

1. The **ratio** of one magnitude to another *of the same kind* is the relation which the first bears to the second in regard to quantity ; this is measured by the fraction which the first is of the second.

Thus if two such magnitudes contain  $a$  and  $b$  units respectively the ratio of the first to the second is expressed by the fraction  $\frac{a}{b}$ .

The ratio of  $a$  to  $b$  is generally denoted thus,  $a : b$  ; and  $a$  is called the **antecedent** and  $b$  the **consequent** of the ratio.

The two magnitudes compared in a ratio must be *of the same kind* ; for example, both must be lines, or both angles, or both areas. It is clearly impossible to compare the *length* of a straight line with a magnitude of a different kind, such as the *area* of a triangle. Moreover, a ratio is an *abstract* fraction. Thus the ratio of a line 6 cm. long to a line 8 cm. long is  $\frac{3}{4}$  or  $\frac{3}{4}$  (not  $\frac{3}{4}$  cm.).

**NOTE.** It is not always possible to express two quantities of the same kind in terms of a common unit. For instance, if the side of a square is 1 inch, the diagonal is  $\sqrt{2}$  inches. But since the numerical value of  $\sqrt{2}$  cannot be *exactly* determined (though it can be found to any number of decimal figures), the side and diagonal cannot be expressed in terms of the same unit. Two such quantities are said to be **incommensurable**. But by choosing a sufficiently small quantity as unit, two incommensurables, such as  $\sqrt{2}$  inches and 1 inch, may be expressed to any required degree of accuracy. Thus, remembering that  $\sqrt{2} = 1.41421\dots$ , it follows that  $\sqrt{2}$  inches and 1 inch may be represented by

1414 and 1000, roughly, taking  $\frac{1}{1000}$ " as unit ;

14142 and 10000, more nearly, taking  $\frac{1}{10000}$ " as unit ; and so on.

2. If a point  $X$  is taken in a straight line  $AB$ , or in  $AB$  produced, then  $X$  is said to divide  $AB$  into the two segments  $AX$ ,  $XB$ ; the segments being in either case the distances of the dividing point  $X$  from the extremities of the given line  $AB$ .



Fig. 1.



Fig. 2.

3.  $X$  is said to divide  $AB$  internally in Fig. 1, and externally in Fig. 2. In the first case  $AB$  is the sum, and in the second the difference, of the segments  $AX$ ,  $XB$ . In either case the ratio in which  $X$  divides  $AB$  is the ratio of the segments  $AX$ ,  $XB$ .

4. Four magnitudes  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $x$ ,  $y$  are proportionals or in proportion, when the ratio of the first to the second is equal to the ratio of the third to the fourth.

This is expressed by saying " $a$  is to  $b$  as  $x$  is to  $y$ "; and the proportion is written

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{x}{y},$$

or

$$a : b = x : y.$$

Here  $a$  and  $y$  are called the **extremes**, and  $b$  and  $x$  the **means**; and  $y$  is said to be a **fourth proportional** to  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $x$ .

In a proportion, terms which are both antecedents or both consequents of the ratios are said to be **corresponding terms**.

**NOTE.** In a proportion such as  $a : b = x : y$ , the magnitudes compared in *each ratio* must be of the same kind, though the magnitudes of the second ratio need not be of the same kind as those of the first. For instance,  $a$  and  $b$  may denote *areas*, and  $x$  and  $y$  *lines*; in which case the proportion asserts that the ratio of the areas is the same as the ratio of the lines.



5. Three magnitudes of the same kind are said to be proportionals, when the ratio of the *first* to the *second* is equal to that of the *second* to the *third*.

Thus  $a, b, c$  are proportionals if

$$a : b = b : c.$$

Here  $b$  is called a **mean proportional** between  $a$  and  $c$  ;  
and  $c$  is called a **third proportional** to  $a$  and  $b$ .

### INTRODUCTORY THEOREMS

I. *If four magnitudes are proportionals, they are also proportionals when taken inversely.*

That is, if  $a : b = x : y$ ,  
then  $b : a = y : x$ .  
For, by hypothesis,  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{x}{y}$ ; hence  $\frac{b}{a} = \frac{y}{x}$ ;  
or  $b : a = y : x$ .

II. *If four magnitudes of the same kind are proportionals, they are also proportionals when taken alternately.*

That is, if  $a : b = x : y$ ,  
then  $a : x = b : y$ .

For, by hypothesis,  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{x}{y}$ ;  
multiplying both sides by  $\frac{b}{x}$ ,

we have  $\frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{b}{x} = \frac{x}{y} \cdot \frac{b}{x}$ ;

that is,  $\frac{a}{x} = \frac{b}{y}$ ,

or  $a : x = b : y$ .

NOTE. In this theorem the *hypothesis* and *conclusion* taken together require that  $a, b, x$  and  $y$  shall be of the same kind.

III. *If four numbers are proportional, the product of the extremes is equal to the product of the means.*

That is, if  $a : b = c : d$ ,

then  $ad = bc$ .

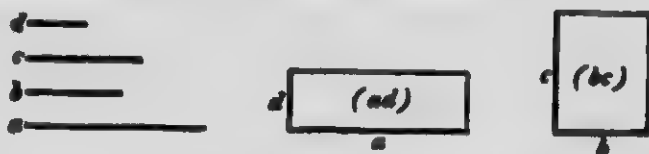
For, by hypothesis,  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$ ;

multiplying each side of this equation by  $bd$ , we have

$$ad = bc.$$

COROLLARY. *If  $a, b, c, d$  denote the lengths of four straight lines in proportion, the rectangle contained by the extremes is equal to the rectangle contained by the means.*

This is illustrated by the following diagram :



Similarly if three lines  $a, b, c$  are proportionals,

that is, if  $a : b = b : c$ ;

then  $ac = b^2$ .

Or, *the rectangle contained by the extremes is equal in area to the square on the mean.*

IV. *If there are four magnitudes in proportion, the sum (or difference) of the first and second is to the second as the sum (or difference) of the third and fourth is to the fourth.*

That is, if  $a : b = x : y$ ;

then (i)  $a + b : b = x + y : y$ ;

(ii)  $a - b : b = x - y : y$ .

For by hypothesis,  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{x}{y}$ ;

$$\therefore \frac{a}{b} + 1 = \frac{x}{y} + 1, \text{ or } \frac{a+b}{b} = \frac{x+y}{y};$$

that is,  $a+b:b = x+y:y$ . . . . . (i)

This inference is sometimes referred to as *componendo*.

Similarly by subtracting 1 from the equal ratios  $\frac{a}{b}, \frac{x}{y}$ , we obtain

$$\frac{a-b}{b} = \frac{x-y}{y};$$

that is,  $a-b:b = x-y:y$ . . . . . (ii)

This inference is sometimes referred to as *dividendo*.

COROLLARY. If  $a:b = x:y$ ,

then  $a+b:a-b = x+y:x-y$ .

This is obtained by dividing the result of (i) by that of (ii).

V. *In a series of equal ratios (the magnitudes being all of the same kind), as any antecedent is to its consequent so is the sum of the antecedents to the sum of the consequents.*

Let each of the equal ratios  $\frac{a}{x}, \frac{b}{y}, \frac{c}{z}, \dots$  be equal to  $k$ .

Then  $a = kx, b = ky, c = kz, \dots$ ;

$\therefore$ , by addition,

$$a+b+c+\dots = k(x+y+z+\dots);$$

$$\therefore \frac{a+b+c+\dots}{x+y+z+\dots} = k = \frac{a}{x},$$

or,  $a:x = a+b+c+\dots : x+y+z+\dots$ .

VI. A given straight line can be divided internally in a given ratio at one, and only one, point; and externally at one, and only one, point.



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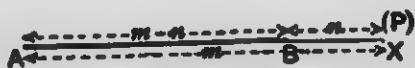


Fig. 2.

Let  $AB$  be the given line, and  $m : n$  the given ratio,  $m$  being greater than  $n$ .

**Internal Division.** (i) Divide  $AB$  (Fig. 1) into  $m + n$  equal parts [*Prob. 7*]; and of these parts make  $AX$  to contain  $m$ ; then  $XB$  must contain  $n$ .

Hence  $AX : XB = m : n$ ;

that is,  $AB$  is divided *internally* at  $X$  in the given ratio.

(ii) Again,  $AX : AB = m : m + n$ .

Similarly, if  $P$  divides  $AB$  in the given ratio  $m : n$ ,

$$AP : AB = m : m + n.$$

$$\therefore \frac{AX}{AB} = \frac{AP}{AB};$$

$$\therefore AX = AP.$$

Hence  $P$  and  $X$  coincide; that is,  $X$  is the only point which divides  $AB$  internally in the ratio  $m : n$ .

**External Division.** (i) Divide  $AB$  (Fig. 2) into  $m - n$  equal parts; and in  $AB$  produced make  $AX$  to contain  $m$  such parts; then  $XB$  must contain  $n$ .

Hence  $AX : XB = m : n$ ;

that is,  $AB$  is divided *externally* at  $X$  in the given ratio.

(ii) And it may be shewn, as above, that  $X$  is the only point which divides  $AB$  externally in the ratio  $m : n$ .

## EXERCISES

1. Insert the missing terms in the following proportions:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad & 3:7 = 15:(\quad); \\ \text{(ii)} \quad & 2.5:(\quad) = 10:32; \\ \text{(iii)} \quad & (\quad):ac^2 = bc:bc.^2 \end{aligned}$$

2. Correct the following statement:

$$£65:78 \text{ ft.} = £25:30 \text{ ft.}$$

3. If a straight line, 9.6" in length, is divided *internally* in the ratio 5:7, calculate the lengths of the segments.

4. If a straight line 4.5 cm. in length is divided *externally* in the ratio 11:8, calculate the lengths of the segments.

5.  $AB$  is a straight line, 6.4 cm. in length, divided *internally* at  $X$  and *externally* at  $Y$  in the ratio 5:3; calculate the lengths of the segments, and shew that they satisfy the formula

$$\frac{2}{AB} = \frac{1}{AX} + \frac{1}{AY}.$$

6. If a straight line,  $a$  inches in length, is divided *internally* in the ratio  $m:n$ , shew that the lengths of the segments are respectively

$$\frac{m}{m+n} \cdot a \text{ inches, } \frac{n}{m+n} \cdot a \text{ inches.}$$

7. If a straight line,  $a$  units in length, is divided *externally* in the ratio  $m:n$ , shew that the lengths of the segments are respectively

$$\frac{m}{m-n} \cdot a \text{ units, } \frac{n}{m-n} \cdot a \text{ units.}$$

8. If  $a:b = x:y$ , and  $b:c = y:z$ , prove that  $a:c = x:z$ .

9. If  $a:b = x:y$ , shew that  $a+b:a = x+y:x$ .

10. If  $a, b, c$  are three proportionals, shew that  $a:c = a^2:b^2$ .

11. If two straight lines  $AB, CD$  are divided internally in the same ratio at  $X$  and  $Y$  respectively, shew that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad & AB:XB = CD:YD; \\ \text{(ii)} \quad & AB:AX = CD:CY. \end{aligned}$$

12. If  $a, b, c, d$  are four straight lines such that the rectangle contained by  $a$  and  $d$  is equal to that contained by  $b$  and  $c$ , prove that

$$a:b = c:d.$$

## PROPORTIONAL DIVISION OF STRAIGHT LINES

## THEOREM 46. [Euclid VI. 2]

*A straight line drawn parallel to one side of a triangle cuts the other two sides, or those sides produced, proportionally.*

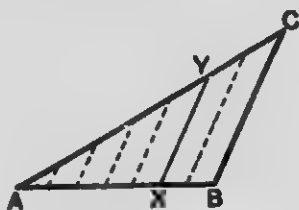


Fig. 1.

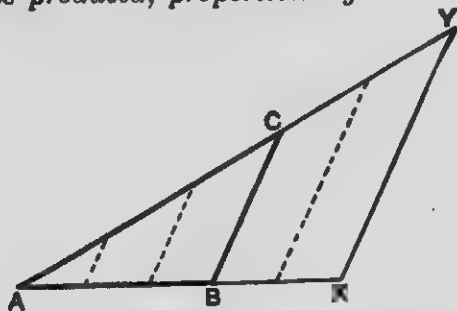


Fig. 2.

In the  $\triangle ABC$ , let  $XY$ , drawn par<sup>l</sup> to the side  $BC$ , cut  $AB$ ,  $AC$  at  $X$  and  $Y$ , internally in Fig. 1, externally in Fig. 2.

*It is required to prove in both cases that*

$$AX : XB = AY : YC.$$

**Proof.\*** Suppose  $X$  divides  $AB$  in the ratio  $m : n$ ; that is, suppose

$$AX : XB = m : n;$$

so that, if  $AX$  is divided into  $m$  equal parts, then  $XB$  may be divided into  $n$  such equal parts.

Through the points of division in  $AX$ ,  $XB$  let parallels be drawn to  $BC$ .

Then these parallels divide the segments  $AY$ ,  $YC$  into parts which are all equal ;

*Theor. 22.*

and of these equal parts  $AY$  contains  $m$ ,

and  $YC$  contains  $n$  ;

hence

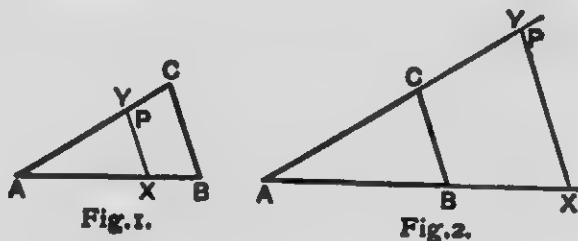
$$AY : YC = m : n.$$

$$\therefore AX : XB = AY : YC.$$

Q.E.D.

\* The proof given applies only to the case in which  $AX$  and  $XB$  are commensurable. The same is true of Theorems 48 and 49.

*Conversely, if a line cuts two sides of a triangle proportionally, it is parallel to the third side.*



*Conversely, let  $XY$  cut the sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$  proportionally, so that*

$$AX : XB = AY : YC.$$

*It is required to prove that  $XY$  is parallel to  $BC$ .*

Let  $XP$  be drawn through  $X$  parallel to  $BC$ , to meet  $AC$  in  $P$ .

Then  $AP : PC = AX : XB$ ;

but, by hypothesis,  $AY : YC = AX : XB$ .

Thus  $AC$  is cut, internally in Fig. 1, and externally in Fig. 2, in the same ratio at  $P$  and  $Y$ .

Hence  $P$  coincides with  $Y$ , and consequently  $XP$  with  $XY$ .

That is,  $XY$  is parallel to  $BC$ .

*Theor. VI, p. 208.*

Q.E.D.

**COROLLARY.** If  $XY$  is parallel to  $BC$ , then

$$AX : AB = AY : AC.$$

For, taking Fig. 1, it may be shewn that

$$AX : AB = m : m + n ;$$

and hence, by Theorem 22, that

$$AY : AC = m : m + n.$$

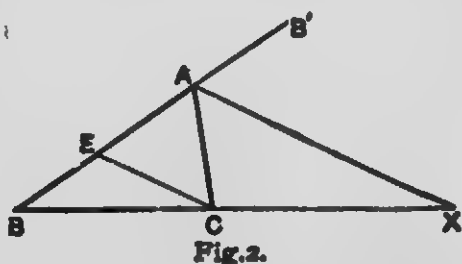
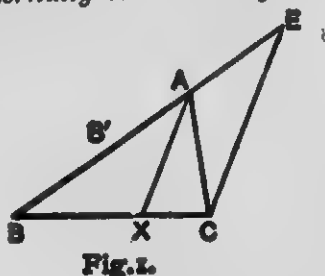
$$\therefore AX : AB = AY : AC.$$

*Conversely, if  $AX : AB = AY : AC$ , it may be proved as above that  $XY$  is parallel to  $BC$ .*

## THEOREM 47. [Euclid VI. 3 and 4]

If the vertical angle of a triangle is bisected internally or externally, the bisector divides the base internally or externally into segments which have the same ratio as the other sides of the triangle.

Conversely, if the base is divided internally or externally into segments proportional to the other sides of the triangle, the line joining the point of section to the vertex bisects the vertical angle internally or externally.



In the  $\triangle ABC$ , let  $AX$  bisect the  $\angle BAC$ , internally in Fig. 1, and externally in Fig. 2; that is, in the latter case, let  $AX$  bisect the exterior  $\angle B'AC$ .

It is required to prove in both cases that

$$BX : XC = BA : AC.$$

Let  $CE$  be drawn through  $C$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $XA$  to meet  $BA$  (produced, if necessary) at  $E$ . In Fig. 1 let  $B'$  be taken in  $AB$ .

**Proof.** Because  $XA$  and  $CE$  are par<sup>l</sup>,

$\therefore$ , in both Figs., the  $\angle B'AX =$  the int. opp.  $\angle AEC$ .

Also, the  $\angle B'AX = \angle XAC$   
 $=$  the alt.  $\angle ACE$ .

$\therefore$  the  $\angle AEC =$  the  $\angle ACE$ .

$$\therefore AC = AE.$$

Again, because  $XA$  is par<sup>l</sup> to  $CE$ , a side of the  $\triangle BCE$ ,  
 $\therefore$ , in both Figs.,  $BX : XC = BA : AE$ ;

that is,  $BX : XC = BA : AC.$  Q.E.D.



*Conversely*, let  $BC$  be divided internally (Fig. 1) or externally (Fig. 2) at  $X$ , so that  $BX : XC = BA : AC$ .

*It is required to prove that the  $\angle B'AX =$  the  $\angle XAC$ .*

**Proof.** For, with the same construction as before, because  $XA$  is par<sup>l</sup> to  $CE$ , a side of the  $\triangle BCE$ ,

$$\therefore BX : XC = BA : AE.$$

But, by hypothesis,  $BX : XC = BA : AC$ ;

$$\therefore BA : AC = BA : AE;$$

$$\therefore AC = AE.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{the } \angle AEC &= \text{the } \angle ACE \\ &= \text{the alt. } \angle XAC. \end{aligned}$$

And in both Figs.,

$$\text{the ext. } \angle B'AX = \text{the int. opp. } \angle AEC;$$

$$\therefore \text{the } \angle B'AX = \text{the } \angle XAC.$$

Q.E.D.

### DEFINITION

When a finite straight line is divided internally and externally into segments which have the same ratio, it is said to be cut **harmonically**.

Hence the following Corollary to Theorem 47.

*The base of a triangle is divided harmonically by the internal and external bisectors of the vertical angle;*

*for in each case the segments of the base are in the ratio of the other sides of the triangle.*

## EXERCISES ON THEOREM 46

(Numerical and Graphical)

1. On a base  $AB$ , 3.5" in length, draw any triangle  $CAB$ ; and from  $AB$  cut off  $AX$  2.1" long. Through  $X$  draw  $XY$  parallel to  $BC$  to meet  $AC$  at  $Y$ .

Measure  $AY$ ,  $YC$ ; and hence compare the ratios

$$(i) \frac{AX}{XB}, \frac{AY}{YC}; (ii) \frac{AB}{AX}, \frac{AC}{AY}; (iii) \frac{AB}{XB}, \frac{AC}{YC}.$$

2.  $ABC$  is a triangle, and  $XY$  is drawn parallel to  $BC$ , cutting the other sides at  $X$  and  $Y$ .

(i) If  $AB = 3.6''$ ,  $AC = 2.4''$ , and  $AX = 2.1''$ , calculate the length of  $AY$ .

(ii) If  $AB = 2.0''$ ,  $AC = 1.5''$ , and  $AX = 0.9''$ , calculate the length of  $BY$ .

(iii) If  $X$  divides  $AB$  in the ratio 8 : 3, and if  $AC = 8.8$  cm., find  $AY$ ,  $YC$ .

3.  $ABC$  is a triangle, and  $XY$  is drawn parallel to  $BC$ , cutting the other sides produced at  $X$  and  $Y$ .

(i) If  $AB = 4.5$  cm.,  $AC = 3.5$  cm., and  $AX = 7.2$  cm., find by calculation and measurement the length of  $AY$ .

(ii) If  $X$  divides  $AB$  externally in the ratio 11 : 4, and if  $AC = 4.9$  cm., find the segments of  $AC$ .

(Theoretical)

4. Three parallel straight lines cut any two transversals proportionally.

5. The straight line which joins the middle points of the oblique sides of a trapezium is parallel to the parallel sides.

6. Two triangles  $ABC$ ,  $DBC$  stand on the same side of the common base  $BC$ : and from any point  $E$  in  $BC$  lines are drawn parallel to  $BA$ ,  $BD$ , meeting  $AC$ ,  $DC$  in  $F$  and  $G$ . Shew that  $FG$  is parallel to  $AD$ .

7. In a triangle  $ABC$  a transversal is drawn to cut the sides  $BC$ ,  $CA$ ,  $AB$  (produced if necessary) at  $D$ ,  $E$ , and  $F$  respectively. and it makes equal angles with  $AB$  and  $AC$ ; prove that

$$BD : CD = BF : CE.$$

EXERCISES ON THEOREM 47

(Numerical and Graphical)

1. Draw a triangle  $ABC$ , making  $a = 1.5''$ ,  $b = 2.4''$ , and  $c = 3.6''$ . Bisect the angle  $A$ , internally and externally, by lines which meet  $BC$  and  $BC$  produced at  $X$  and  $Y$ .

Measure  $BX$ ,  $XC$ ;  $BY$ ,  $YC$ ; hence evaluate and compare the ratios

$$\frac{BX}{XC}, \frac{BY}{YC}, \frac{BA}{AC}.$$

2. In the triangle  $ABC$ ,  $a = 3.5$  cm.,  $b = 5.4$  cm.,  $c = 7.2$  cm.; and the internal and external bisectors of the  $\angle A$  meet  $BC$  at  $X$  and  $Y$ .

Calculate the lengths of the segments into which the base is divided at  $X$  and  $Y$  respectively; and verify your results graphically.

3. Frame constructions, based upon Theorem 47,

(i) to trisect a straight line of given length;

(ii) to divide a given line internally and externally in the ratio 3:2.

(Theoretical)

4.  $AD$  is a median of the triangle  $ABC$ ; and the angles  $ADB$ ,  $ADC$  are bisected by lines which meet  $AB$ ,  $AC$  at  $E$  and  $F$  respectively. Shew that  $EF$  is parallel to  $BC$ .

5.  $ABCD$  is a quadrilateral; shew that if the bisectors of the angles  $A$  and  $C$  meet on the diagonal  $BD$ , the bisectors of the angles  $B$  and  $D$  will meet on  $AC$ .

6. Employ Theorem 47 to shew that in any triangle

(i) the internal bisectors of the three angles are concurrent;

(ii) the external bisectors of two angles and the internal bisector of the third angle are concurrent.

7. If  $I$  is the in-centre of the triangle  $ABC$ , and if  $AI$  is produced to meet  $BC$  at  $X$ , shew that

$$AI : IX = AB + AC : BC.$$

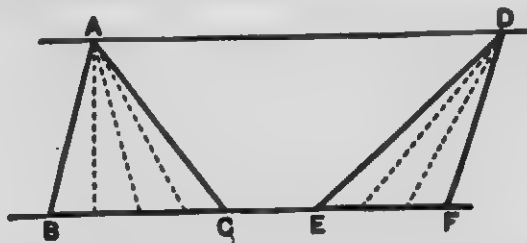
8. Given the base of a triangle and the ratio of the other sides, find the locus of the vertex.

9. Construct a triangle, having given the base, the ratio of the other sides, and the vertical angle.

## PROPORTIONAL AREAS

## THEOREM 48. [Euclid VI. 1]

*The areas of triangles of equal altitude are to one another as their bases.*



Let  $ABC, DEF$  be two triangles of equal altitude, standing on the bases  $BC, EF$ .

*It is required to prove that*

$$\text{the } \triangle ABC : \text{the } \triangle DEF = BC : EF.$$

**Proof.\*** Let the triangles be placed so that the bases  $BC, EF$  are in the same st. line, and the triangles on the same side of the line.

Join  $AD$  ;

then  $AD$  is par<sup>l</sup> to  $BF$ . Def. 2, p. 101.

Suppose the base  $BC$  : the base  $EF = m : n$  ;  
so that, if  $BC$  is divided into  $m$  equal parts, then  $EF$  may be divided into  $n$  such equal parts, in each case by st. lines drawn from the vertex to the points of division.

Then the  $\triangle ABC, DEF$  are divided into triangles which stand on equal bases, and have the same altitude, and are therefore all equal.

And of these equal  $\triangle$ , the  $\triangle ABC$  contains  $m$  ;  
and the  $\triangle DEF$  contains  $n$ .

$$\therefore \text{the } \triangle ABC : \text{the } \triangle DEF = m : n.$$

Hence the  $\triangle ABC : \text{the } \triangle DEF = BC : EF$ .

Q.E.D.

\* See footnote on p. 210.

**COROLLARY.** *The areas of parallelograms of equal altitude are to one another as their bases.*

For let  $DB, EG$  be par<sup>m</sup> of the same altitude, standing on the bases  $AB, EF$ .

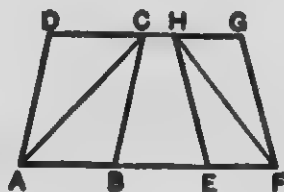
Join  $AC, HF$ .

Since the par<sup>m</sup>  $DB =$  twice the  $\triangle CAB$ ;

and the par<sup>m</sup>  $EG =$  twice the  $\triangle HEF$ ;

$\therefore$  the par<sup>m</sup>  $DB : \text{the par}^m EG =$

the  $\triangle CAB : \text{the } \triangle HEF = AB : EF$ .



### ALTERNATIVE PROOF OF THEOREM 48

Let  $p$  represent the altitude of each of the  $\triangle ABC, DEF$ .

Then the area of the  $\triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2} \cdot BC \times p$ ;

and the area of the  $\triangle DEF = \frac{1}{2} \cdot EF \times p$ .

$$\therefore \frac{\triangle ABC}{\triangle DEF} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \cdot BC \times p}{\frac{1}{2} \cdot EF \times p} = \frac{BC}{EF}$$

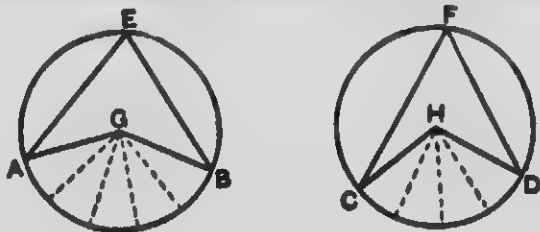
### EXERCISES

(Numerical)

1. Of two triangles  $T_1, T_2$  of equal altitude standing on bases of 6.3" and 5.4"  $T_1$  contains  $12\frac{1}{2}$  sq. inches. Find the area of  $T_2$ .
2. The areas of two triangles of equal altitude have the ratio 24:17; if the base of the first is 4.2 cm., find the base of the other.
3. Two triangles lying between the same parallels have bases of 16.20 m. and 20.70 m.; find to the nearest square cm. the area of the second triangle, if that of the first is 50.1204 sq. m.
4. Two parallelograms whose areas are in the ratio 2.1:3.5 lie between the same parallels. If the base of the first is 6.6" in length, find the base of the second.
5. Two triangular fields lie on opposite sides of a common base; and their altitudes with respect to it are 4.20 chains and 3.71 chains. If the first field contains 18 acres, find the acreage of the other.

## THEOREM 49. [Euclid VI. 33]

*In equal circles, angles, whether at the centres or circumferences, have the same ratio as the arcs on which they stand.*



Let  $ABE$ ,  $CDF$  be equal circles; and let the  $\angle AGB$ ,  $CHD$ , and also the  $\angle AEB$ ,  $CFD$  stand on the arcs  $AB$ ,  $CD$ .

*It is required to prove that*

- (i) the  $\angle AGB$  : the  $\angle CHD$  = the arc  $AB$  : the arc  $CD$ ;
- (ii) the  $\angle AEB$  : the  $\angle CFD$  = the arc  $AB$  : the arc  $CD$ .

**Proof.\*** Suppose the arc  $AB$  : the arc  $CD$  =  $m : n$  ;  
so that, if the arc  $AB$  is divided into  $m$  equal parts, then the arc  $CD$  may be divided into  $n$  such equal parts, in each case by radii drawn to the points of division.

Then the  $\angle AGB$ ,  $CHD$ , in equal circles, are divided into angles which stand on equal arcs, and are therefore all equal.

And of these equal angles the  $\angle AGB$  contains  $m$ ,  
and the  $\angle CHD$  contains  $n$  ;

$$\therefore \text{the } \angle AGB : \text{the } \angle CHD = m : n.$$

Hence the  $\angle AGB$  : the  $\angle CHD$  = the arc  $AB$  : the arc  $CD$ .  
And since the  $\angle AEB$  = one half of the  $\angle AGB$ ; *Theor. 39*  
and the  $\angle CFD$  = one half of the  $\angle CHD$ ;

$$\therefore \text{the } \angle AEB : \text{the } \angle CFD = \text{the arc } AB : \text{the arc } CD.$$

Q.E.D.

**COROLLARY.** Since in equal circles, sectors which have equal angles are equal [p. 147, *E*], it may be proved as above that the sector  $AGB$  : the sector  $CHD$  = the arc  $AB$  : the arc  $CD$ .

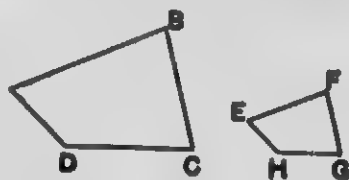
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## SIMILAR FIGURES

1. Two rectilineal figures are said to be **equiangular** to one another when the angles of the first, taken in order, are equal respectively to those of the second, taken in order.

2. Rectilineal figures are said to be **similar** when they are equiangular to one another, and also have their corresponding sides proportional.

Thus the two quadrilaterals  $ABCD$ ,  $EFGH$  are similar if the angles at  $A, B, C, D$  are respectively equal to those at  $E, F, G, H$ , and if also



$$AB : EF = BC : FG = CD : GH = DA : HE.$$

3. Similar figures are said to be **similarly described** with regard to two sides, when these sides correspond.

## NOTE ON SIMILAR FIGURES

Similar figures may be described as having the *same shape*.

For this, the figures must satisfy *two conditions*:

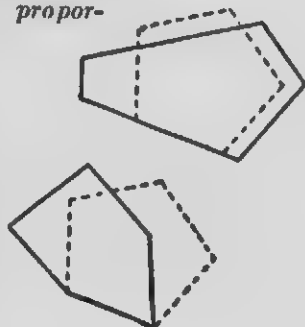
- (i) *they must have their angles equal each to each, taken in order;*
- (ii) *their corresponding sides must be proportional.*

In the case of *triangles* we shall learn that these conditions are not independent, for each follows from the other: thus

(i) if the triangles are *equiangular to one another*, Theorem 50 proves that *their corresponding sides are proportional*;

(ii) if the triangles have their sides *proportional*, Theorem 51 proves that *they are equiangular to one another*.

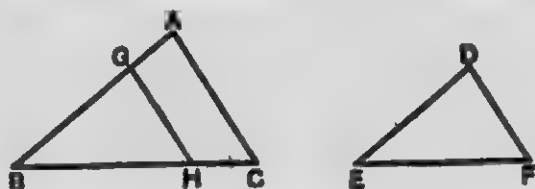
On the other hand, the first diagram in the margin shows two figures which are equiangular to one another, but which clearly have not their sides proportional; while the figures in the second diagram have their sides proportional, but are not equiangular to one another.



## SIMILAR TRIANGLES

## THEOREM 50. [Euclid VI. 4]

*If two triangles are equiangular to one another, their corresponding sides are proportional, and the triangles are similar.*



Let the  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $DEF$  have the  $\angle A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  respectively equal to the  $\angle D$ ,  $E$ , and  $F$ .

*It is required to prove that*

$$AB : DE = BC : EF = CA : FD.$$

**Proof.** Apply the  $\triangle DEF$  to the  $\triangle ABC$ , so that  $E$  falls on  $B$ , and  $EF$  along  $BC$ ;

then since the  $\angle E =$  the  $\angle B$ ,  $ED$  will fall along  $BA$ .

Let  $D$  and  $F$  fall at  $G$  and  $H$  respectively ; so that  $GBH$  represents the  $\triangle DEF$  in its new position.

Now, by hypothesis, the  $\angle D =$  the  $\angle A$  ;

that is, the ext.  $\angle BGH =$  the int. opp.  $\angle BAC$  ;

$\therefore GH$  is  $\text{par}^l$  to  $AC$ .

Hence

$$BA : BG = BC : BH; \quad \text{Theor. 46, Cor.}$$

that is,

$$AB : DE = BC : EF.$$

Similarly, by applying the  $\triangle DEF$  to the  $\triangle ABC$ , so that  $F$  falls on  $C$ , and  $FE$ ,  $FD$  along  $CB$ ,  $CA$ , it may be shewn that

$$BC : EF = CA : FD.$$

Hence

$$AB : DE = BC : EF = CA : FD,$$

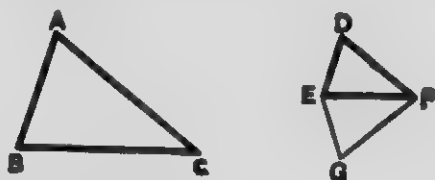
and so the triangles are similar (see p. 219).

Q.E.D.



## THEOREM 51. [Euclid VI. 5]

If two triangles have their sides proportional when taken in order, the triangles are equiangular to one another, and the triangles are similar.



In the  $\triangle ABC, DEF$ , let

$$AB : DE = BC : EF = CA : FD.$$

It is required to prove that the  $\triangle ABC, DEF$  are equiangular to one another.

At  $E$  in  $FE$  make the  $\angle FEG$  equal to the  $\angle B$ ;  
and at  $F$  in  $EF$  make the  $\angle EFG$  equal to the  $\angle C$ .

$\therefore$  the remaining  $\angle EGF =$  remaining  $\angle A$ .

**Proof.** Since the  $\triangle ABC, GEF$  are equiangular to one another,

$$\therefore AB : GE = BC : EF. \quad \text{Theor. 50.}$$

But, by hypothesis,  $AB : DE = BC : EF$ ;

$$\therefore AB : GE = AB : DE.$$

$$\therefore GE = DE.$$

Similarly  $GF = DF$ .

Then in the  $\triangle GEF, DEF$ ,

because  $\begin{cases} GE = DE, GF = DF, \\ \text{and } EF \text{ is common;} \end{cases}$

$\therefore$  the triangles are identically equal; Theor. 7.

$\therefore$  the  $\angle DEF =$  the  $\angle GEF =$  the  $\angle B$ ;

and the  $\angle DFE =$  the  $\angle GFE =$  the  $\angle C$ .

$\therefore$  the remaining  $\angle D =$  the remaining  $\angle A$ ;

that is, the  $\triangle DEF$  is equiangular to the  $\triangle ABC$ .

Hence the triangles are similar (see p. 219.) Q.E.D.

## EXERCISES ON SIMILAR TRIANGLES

(Numerical and graphical. The results are to be obtained by calculation and checked graphically)

1. In a triangle  $ABC$ ,  $XY$  is drawn parallel to  $BC$ , cutting the other sides at  $X$  and  $Y$ :

- (i) If  $AB = 2.5''$ ,  $AC = 2.0''$ ,  $AX = 1.5''$ ; find  $AY$ .
- (ii) If  $AB = 3.5''$ ,  $AC = 2.1''$ ,  $AY = 1.2''$ ; find  $AX$ .
- (iii) If  $AB = 4.2$  cm.,  $AX = 3.6$  cm.,  $AY = 6.6$  cm.; find  $AC$ .

2. In the figure of the last example:

- (i) If  $AB = 2.4''$ ,  $BC = 3.6''$ ,  $AX = 1.4''$ ; find  $XY$ .
- (ii) If  $BC = 7.7$  cm.,  $XY = 5.5$  cm.,  $AX = 4.5$  cm.; find  $AB$ .

3. In the triangle  $ABC$ ,  $a = 3.0''$ ,  $b = 3.6''$ ,  $c = 4.2''$ ; and  $QR$ , drawn parallel to  $AC$ , measures  $3.0''$ . Find the remaining sides of the triangle  $QBR$ .

4.  $ABC$  is a triangle in which  $a = 8$  cm.,  $b = 7$  cm., and  $c = 10$  cm. In  $AB$  a point  $P$  is taken 4 cm. from  $A$ , and  $PQ$  is drawn parallel to  $BC$ . Find the lengths of  $PQ$  and  $QC$ .

5. The sides of a triangular field are 400 yards, 350 yards, and 300 yards respectively. In a plan of the field the greatest side measures  $2.4''$ ; find the lengths of the other sides.

6.  $XY$  is drawn parallel to  $BC$ , the base of the triangle  $ABC$ . If  $AX = 8\frac{1}{2}$  ft.,  $XY = 3\frac{1}{2}$  ft.,  $AY = 6$  ft. 2 in., and  $XB = 4\frac{1}{2}$  ft.; calculate the sides of the triangle  $ABC$ .

7. The triangle  $ABC$  is right-angled at  $C$ ; and from  $P$ , a point in the hypotenuse,  $PQ$  is drawn parallel to  $AC$ .

If  $AC = 1\frac{1}{2}''$ ,  $BC = 3''$ , and  $PQ = \frac{1}{2}''$ ; find  $BQ$ ,  $BP$ , and  $AP$ .

8. In a triangle  $ABC$ ,  $AD$  is the perpendicular from  $A$  on  $BC$ ; and through  $X$ , a point in  $AD$ , a parallel is drawn to  $BC$ , meeting the other sides in  $P$ ,  $Q$ .

If  $BC = 9$  cm.,  $AD = 8$  cm.,  $DX = 3$  cm.; find  $PQ$ .

9. In the triangle  $ABC$ ,  $a = 2.0$  cm.,  $b = 3.5$  cm.,  $c = 4.5$  cm.  $BD$  and  $CE$  are drawn from the ends of the base to the opposite sides, and they intersect in  $P$ .

If  $EP : PC = DP : PB = 2 : 5$ ,  
find the lengths of  $ED$ ,  $AD$ , and  $DC$ .

## EXERCISES ON SIMILAR TRIANGLES

(Theoretical)

1. Shew that the straight line which joins the middle points of two sides of a triangle is

(i) parallel to the third side; (ii) one-half the third side.

2. In the trapezium  $ABCD$ ,  $AB$  is parallel to  $DC$ , and the diagonals intersect at  $O$ : shew that

$$OA : OC = OB : OD.$$

If  $AB = 2DC$ , shew that  $O$  is a point of trisection on both diagonals.

3. If three concurrent straight lines are cut by two parallel transversals in  $A, B, C$ , and  $P, Q, R$  respectively; prove that

$$AB : BC = PQ : QR.$$

4.  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram, and from  $D$  a straight line is drawn to cut  $AB$  at  $E$ , and  $CB$  produced at  $F$ . In this figure name three triangles which are equiangular to one another; and shew that

$$DA : AE = FB : BE = FC : CD.$$

5. In the side  $AC$  of a triangle  $ABC$  any point  $D$  is taken: shew that if  $AD, DC, AB, BC$  are bisected in  $E, F, G, H$  respectively then  $EG$  is equal to  $HF$ .

6.  $AB$  and  $CD$  are two parallel straight lines;  $E$  is the mid-point of  $CD$ ;  $AC$  and  $BE$  meet at  $F$ , and  $AE$  and  $BD$  meet at  $G$ : shew that  $FG$  is parallel to  $AB$ .

7.  $AB$  is a diameter of a circle, and through  $A$  any straight line is drawn to cut the circumference in  $C$  and the tangent at  $B$  and  $D$ ; shew that

(i) the  $\triangle CAB, BAD$  are equiangular to one another;

(ii)  $AC, AB, AD$  are three proportionals;

(iii) the rect.  $AC, AD$  is constant for all positions of  $AD$ .

8. If through any point  $X$  within a circle two chords  $AB, CD$  are drawn, and  $AC, BD$  joined; shew that

(i) the  $\triangle AXC, DXB$  are equiangular to one another;

(ii)  $AX : DX = XC : XB$ .

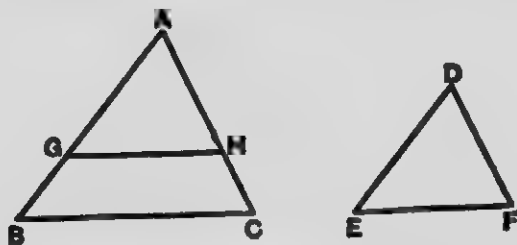
9. If from an external point  $X$  a tangent  $XT$  and a secant  $XAB$  are drawn to a circle, and  $AT, TB$  joined; shew that

(i) the  $\triangle AXT, TXB$  are equiangular to one another;

(ii)  $XA : XT = XT : XB$ .

## THEOREM 52. [Euclid VI. 6]

*If two triangles have one angle of the one equal to one angle of the other, and the sides about the equal angles proportionals, the triangles are similar.*



In the  $\triangle ABC, DEF$ , let the  $\angle A =$  the  $\angle D$ ,  
and let  $AB : DE = AC : DF$ .

*It is required to prove that the  $\triangle ABC, DEF$  are similar.*

**Proof.** Apply the  $\triangle DEF$  to the  $\triangle ABC$ , so that  $D$  falls on  $A$ , and  $DE$  along  $AB$ ; then

because the  $\angle EDF =$  the  $\angle BAC$ ,  $DF$  must fall along  $AC$ .

Let  $G$  and  $H$  be the points at which  $E$  and  $F$  fall respectively; so that  $AGH$  represents the  $\triangle DEF$  in its new position.

Now, by hypothesis,  $AB : DE = AC : DF$ ;

that is,  $AB : AG = AC : AH$ ;

hence  $GH$  is par<sup>l</sup> to  $BC$ . *Theor. 46, Cor.*

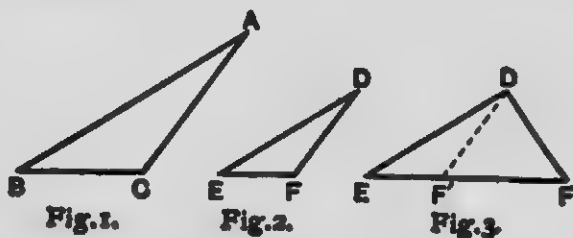
$\therefore$  the ext.  $\angle AGH$ , namely the  $\angle E$ , = the int. opp.  $\angle ABC$ ;  
and the ext.  $\angle AHG$ , namely the  $\angle F$ , = the int. opp.  $\angle ACB$ .

Hence the  $\triangle ABC, DEF$  are equiangular to one another,  
hence, the  $\triangle ABC, DEF$  are similar. *Theor. 50.*

Q.E.D.

## \* THEOREM 53. [Euclid VI. 7]

If two triangles have one angle of the one equal to one angle of the other, and the sides about another angle in one proportional to the corresponding sides of the other, then the third angles are either equal or supplementary; and in the former case the triangles are similar.



In the  $\triangle ABC, DEF$ , let the  $\angle B = \text{the } \angle E$ ; and let  $AB : DE = AC : DF$ .

It is required to prove that

either the  $\angle C = \text{the } \angle F$  [as in Figs. 1 and 2];  
or the  $\angle C = \text{the supplement of the } \angle F$  [Figs. 1 and 3].

**Proof.** (i) If the  $\angle A = \text{the } \angle D$  [Figs. 1 and 2],  
then the  $\angle C = \text{the } \angle F$ ; Theor. 16.  
and the  $\triangle$  are equiangular, and therefore similar.

(ii) If the  $\angle A$  is not equal to the  $\angle D$  [Figs. 1 and 3],  
let the  $\angle EDF' = \text{the } \angle A$ .

Then the  $\triangle ABC, DEF'$  are equiangular to one another ;

$$\therefore AB : DE = AC : DF'.$$

But  $AB : DE = AC : DF$ ; (Hypothesis)

$$\therefore AC : DF' = AC : DF.$$

$$\therefore DF' = DF.$$

$$\therefore \text{the } \angle DFF' = \text{the } \angle DF'F.$$

$$= \text{the supplement of the } \angle DF'E$$

$$= \text{the supplement of the } \angle C.$$

Q.E.D.

## EXERCISES ON SIMILAR TRIANGLES

(Theoretical)

1. In a triangle  $ABC$ , prove that any straight line parallel to the base  $BC$  and intercepted by the other two sides is bisected by the median drawn from the vertex  $A$ .

2. Two triangles  $ABC$ ,  $A'B'C'$  are equiangular to one another; if  $p, p'$  denote the perpendiculars from  $A, A'$  to the opp. sides  $BC, B'C'$  . . . . . circum-radii;  
 $r, r'$  . . . . . in-radii;

prove that each of the ratios  $\frac{p}{p'}$ ,  $\frac{R}{R'}$ ,  $\frac{r}{r'}$  is equal to the ratio of any pair of corresponding sides.

3. Prove that the radius of the circle which passes through the mid-points of the sides of a triangle is half the circum-radius.

4. If two straight lines  $AB, CD$  intersect at  $X$ , so that

$$XA : XC = XD : XB;$$

(i) shew by Theorem 52 that the  $\triangle AXD, CXP$  are similar;

(ii) hence prove the points  $A, D, B, C$  concyclic.

5.  $A, B, C$  are three collinear points, and from  $B$  and  $C$  two parallel lines  $BP, CQ$  are drawn in the same sense, so that

$$PB : QC = AB : AC,$$

shew by Theorem 52 that the points  $A, P, Q$  are collinear.

6. If in two triangles  $ABC, A'B'C'$ , the  $\angle B = \text{the } \angle B'$ , and  $\frac{c}{c'} = \frac{b}{b'}$ ; what conclusion may be drawn?

Shew by diagrams how this conclusion is affected, if it is also given that

(i)  $c$  is less than  $b$ ,

(ii)  $c$  is equal to  $b$ ,

(iii)  $c$  is greater than  $b$ .

7.  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram;  $P$  and  $Q$  are points in a straight line parallel to  $AB$ ;  $PA$  and  $QB$  meet at  $R$ , and  $PD$  and  $QC$  meet at  $S$ : shew that  $RS$  is parallel to  $AD$ .

8. In a triangle  $ABC$  the bisector of the vertical angle  $A$  meets the base at  $D$  and the circumference of the circum-circle at  $E$ ; if  $EC$  is joined, shew that the triangles  $BAD, EAC$  are similar; and hence prove that

$$AB \cdot AC = AE \cdot AD.$$

## THEOREM 54. [Euclid VI. 8]

*In a right-angled triangle, if a perpendicular is drawn from the right angle to the hypotenuse, the triangles on each side of it are similar to the whole triangle and to one another.*



Let  $BAC$  be a triangle right-angled at  $A$ , and let  $AD$  be drawn perp. to  $BC$ .

*It is required to prove that the  $\triangle BDA$ ,  $ADC$  are similar to the  $\triangle BAC$  and to one another.*

In the  $\triangle BDA$ ,  $BAC$

the  $\angle BDA =$  the  $\angle BAC$ , being rt. angles,

and the  $\angle B$  is common to both;

$\therefore$  the remaining  $\angle BAD =$  the remaining  $\angle BCA$ ; *Theor. 16.*

hence the  $\triangle BDA$  is equiangular to the  $\triangle BAC$ ;

$\therefore$  their corresponding sides are proportional;

$\therefore$  the  $\triangle BDA$ ,  $BAC$  are similar.

Similarly the  $\triangle ADC$ ,  $BAC$  may be proved similar.

Hence the  $\triangle BDA$ ,  $ADC$ , being equiangular to the  $\triangle BAC$ , are equiangular and hence similar to each other. Q.E.D

COROLLARY. (i) Because the  $\triangle DBA$ ,  $DAC$  are similar,

$$\therefore DB : DA = DA : DC;$$

that is,  $DA$  is a mean proportional between  $DB$  and  $DC$ ;  
and hence

$$DA^2 = DB \cdot DC.$$

(ii) Because the  $\triangle BCA$ ,  $BAD$  are similar,

$$\therefore BC : BA = BA : BD;$$

hence

$$BA^2 = BC \cdot BD.$$

(iii) Because the  $\triangle CBA$ ,  $CAD$  are similar,

$$\therefore CB : CA = CA : CD;$$

hence

$$CA^2 = CB \cdot CD.$$

## EXERCISES

*(Miscellaneous Examples on Theorems 50-54)*

1.  $ABC$  is an equilateral triangle of which each side =  $a$ . In  $BC$ , produced both ways, two points  $P$  and  $Q$  are taken, such that  $BP = CQ = a$ , and  $AP, AQ$  are joined. Shew that

$$(i) \quad PQ : PA = PA : PB.$$

$$(ii) \quad PA^2 = 3a^2.$$

2.  $ABC$  is a triangle right-angled at  $A$ , and  $AD$  is drawn perpendicular to  $BC$ : if  $AB, AC$  measure respectively  $4''$  and  $3''$ , shew that the segments of the hypotenuse are  $3.2''$  and  $1.8''$ .

3.  $ABC$  is a triangle right-angled at  $A$ , and a perpendicular  $AD$  is drawn to the hypotenuse  $BC$ ; shew (i) by Theorem 25, (ii) by Theorem 54 that

$$BC \cdot AD = AB \cdot AC.$$

4.  $ABC$  is a triangle right-angled at  $A$ , and  $AC'$  is drawn perpendicular to the hypotenuse, also  $C'A'$  is drawn parallel to  $CA$ . If  $AC = 15$  cm., and  $AB = 20$  cm., shew that  $AC' = 12$  cm., and  $C'A' = 9.6$  cm.

5. At the extremities of a diameter of a circle, whose centre is  $C$  and radius  $r$ , tangents are drawn: these are cut in  $Q$  and  $R$  by any third tangent whose point of contact is  $P$ . Shew that

$$(i) \quad QR \text{ subtends a right angle at } C;$$

$$(ii) \quad PQ \cdot PR = r^2.$$

6. Two circles of radii  $r$  and  $r'$  respectively have external contact at  $A$ , and a common tangent touches them at  $P$  and  $Q$ . Shew that

$$(i) \quad PQ \text{ subtends a right angle at } A; \quad [\text{Ex. 9. p. 182.}]$$

$$(ii) \quad PQ^2 = 4rr'.$$

[Produce  $PA, QA$  to meet the circumferences at  $X$  and  $Y$ , and prove the triangles  $PAY, XAQ$  right-angled and similar.]

7. Two circles touch one another externally at  $A$ , and a common tangent  $PQ$  is produced to meet the line of centres at  $S$ . Shew that, if  $PA, AQ$  are joined,

$$(i) \quad \text{the triangles } SAP, SQA \text{ are similar};$$

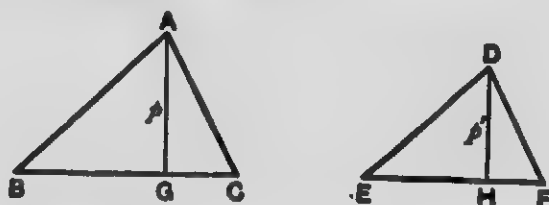
$$(ii) \quad SA^2 = SP \cdot SQ.$$

8. Two circles intersect at  $A$  and  $B$ ; and at  $A$  tangents are drawn, one to each circle, to meet the circumferences at  $C$  and  $D$ : shew that if  $BC, BD$  are joined, then  $BC : BA = BA : BD$ .



THEOREM 55. [Euclid VI. 19]

*The areas of similar triangles are proportional to the squares on corresponding sides.*



Let  $ABC, DEF$  be similar triangles, in which  $BC$  and  $EF$  are corresponding sides.

*It is required to prove that*

$$\text{the } \triangle ABC : \text{the } \triangle DEF = BC^2 : EF^2.$$

Let  $AG$  and  $DH$  be drawn perp. to  $BC, EF$  respectively; and denote these perp<sup>s</sup>. by  $p$  and  $p'$ .

**Proof.** The  $\triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2}BC \cdot p$ ; the  $\triangle DEF = \frac{1}{2}EF \cdot p'$ .

$$\therefore \frac{\triangle ABC}{\triangle DEF} = \frac{BC \cdot p}{EF \cdot p'} \quad \dots \dots \dots (i).$$

But since the  $\angle B =$  the  $\angle E$ , from the similar  $\triangle ABC, DEF$ ,

and the  $\angle G =$  the  $\angle H$ , being right angles ;

$\therefore$  the  $\triangle ABG, DEH$  are equiangular to one another,

*Theor. 16.*

$$\therefore \frac{p}{p'} = \frac{AB}{DE}$$

*Theor. 50.*

$$= \frac{BC}{EF}, \text{ from the similar } \triangle ABC, DEF.$$

Substituting for  $\frac{p}{p'}$  in (i),

$$\frac{\triangle ABC}{\triangle DEF} = \frac{BC \cdot BC}{EF \cdot EF} = \frac{BC^2}{EF^2};$$

or, the  $\triangle ABC : \text{the } \triangle DEF = BC^2 : EF^2$ . Q.E.D.

## EXERCISES ON THE AREAS OF SIMILAR TRIANGLES

*(Numerical and Graphical)*

1. In any triangle  $ABC$ , the sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$  are cut by a line  $XY$  drawn parallel to  $BC$ . If  $AX$  is one-third of  $AB$ , what part is the triangle  $AXY$  of the triangle  $ABC$ ?
2. Two corresponding sides of similar triangles are 3 ft. 6 in. and 2 ft. 4 in. respectively. If the area of the greater triangle is 45 sq. ft., find that of the smaller.
3. The area of the triangle  $ABC$  is 25.6 sq. cm., and  $XY$ , drawn parallel to  $BC$ , cuts  $AB$  in the ratio 5:3. Find the area of the triangle  $AXY$ .
4. Two similar triangles have areas of 392 sq. cm. and 200 sq. cm. respectively; find the ratio of any pair of corresponding sides.
5.  $ABC$  and  $XYZ$  are two similar triangles whose areas are respectively 32 sq. in. and 60.5 sq. in. If  $XY = 7.7''$ , find the length of the corresponding side  $AB$ .
6. Shew how to draw a straight line  $XY$  parallel to  $BC$  the base of a triangle  $ABC$ , so that the area of the triangle  $AXY$  may be nine-sixteenths of that of the triangle  $ABC$ .

*(Theoretical)*

7.  $ABC$  is a triangle, right-angled at  $A$ , and  $AD$  is drawn perpendicular to  $BC$ ; shew that

$$\triangle BAD : \triangle ACD = BA^2 : AC^2.$$

8. A trapezium  $ABCD$  has its sides  $AB$ ,  $CD$  parallel, and its diagonals intersect at  $O$ . If  $AB$  is double of  $CD$ , find the ratio of the triangle  $AOB$  to the triangle  $COD$ .

9. If two triangles have one angle of one equal to one angle of the other, their areas are proportional to the rectangles contained by the sides about the equal angles.

10. Prove that the areas of similar triangles have the same ratio as the squares of

- (i) corresponding altitudes;
- (ii) corresponding medians;
- (iii) the radii of their in-circles;
- (iv) the radii of their circum-circles.

RECTANGLES IN CONNECTION WITH CIRCLES

THEOREM 56. [Euclid III. 35 and 36]

If any two chords of a circle cut one another internally or externally, the rectangle contained by the segments of one is equal to the rectangle contained by the segments of the other.

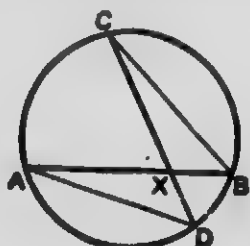


Fig. 1.

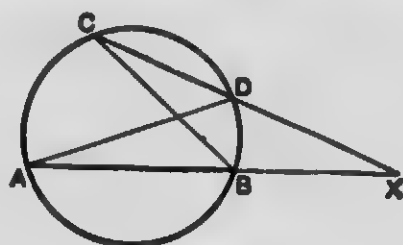


Fig. 2.

In the  $\odot ABC$ , let the chords  $AB, CD$  cut one another at  $X$ , internally in Fig. 1, and externally in Fig. 2.

It is required to prove in both cases that

the rect.  $XA, XB =$  the rect.  $XC, XD$ .

Join  $AD, BC$ .

**Proof.** In the  $\triangle AXD, CXB$ ,  
the  $\angle AXD =$  the  $\angle CXB$ , being opp. vert.  $\angle$  in Fig. 1,  
and the same angle in Fig. 2;  
and the  $\angle A =$  the  $\angle C$ , being  $\angle$  at the  $\odot^{\circ}$  standing on the  
same arc  $BD$ ;

$\therefore$  the remaining angles are equal; *Theor. 16.*

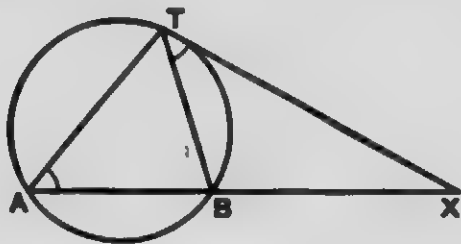
hence the  $\triangle AXD, CXB$  are equiangular,

$$\therefore \frac{XA}{XC} = \frac{XD}{XB};$$

$$\therefore XA \cdot XB = XC \cdot XD;$$

that is, the rect.  $XA, XB =$  the rect.  $XC, XD$ . Q.E.D.

**COROLLARY.** *If from an external point a secant and a tangent are drawn to a circle, the rectangle contained by the whole secant and the part of it outside the circle is equal to the square on the tangent.*



Let  $XBA$  be a secant, and  $XT$  a tangent drawn to the  $\odot ABT$  from the point  $X$ .

*It is required to prove that  $XA \cdot XB = XT^2$ .*

**Proof.**

Join  $AT, BT$ .

Then

because	{	the $\angle XAT =$ the $\angle XTB$ ,	<i>Theor. 45.</i>
		the $\angle TXA$ is common,	
		the third angles are equal,	<i>Theor. 16.</i>
		the $\triangle XAT, XBT$ are similar.	<i>Theor. 50.</i>

$$\therefore \frac{XA}{XT} = \frac{XT}{XB}.$$

$\therefore$  rect.  $XA, XB =$  sq. on  $XT$ .

**Q.E.D.**

EXERCISES ON THEOREM 56

(Theoretical)

1.  $ABC$  is a triangle right-angled at  $C$ ; and from  $C$  a perpendicular  $CD$  is drawn to the hypotenuse; shew that

$$AD \cdot DB = CD^2.$$

2. If two circles intersect, and through any point  $X$  in their common chord two chords  $AB$ ,  $CD$  are drawn, one in each circle, shew that

$$AX \cdot XB = CX \cdot XD.$$

3. Deduce from Theorem 56 that the tangents drawn to a circle from any external point are equal.

4. If two circles intersect, tangents drawn to them from any point in their common chord produced are equal.

5. If a common tangent  $PQ$  is drawn to two circles which cut at  $A$  and  $B$ , shew that  $AB$  produced bisects  $PQ$ .

6. If two straight lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  intersect at  $X$  so that  $AX \cdot XB = CX \cdot XD$ , deduce from Theorem 56 (by *reductio ad absurdum*) that the points  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ ,  $D$  are concyclic.

7. In the triangle  $ABC$ , perpendiculars  $AP$ ,  $BQ$  are drawn from  $A$  and  $B$  to the opposite sides, and intersect at  $O$ ; shew that

$$AO \cdot OC = BO \cdot OQ.$$

8.  $ABC$  is a triangle right-angled at  $C$ , and from  $C$  a perpendicular  $CD$  is drawn to the hypotenuse; shew that

$$AB \cdot AD = AC^2.$$

9. Through  $A$ , a point of intersection of two circles, two straight lines  $CAE$ ,  $DAF$  are drawn, each passing through a centre and terminated by the circumferences; shew that

$$CA \cdot AE = DA \cdot AF.$$

10. If from any external point  $P$  two tangents are drawn to a given circle whose centre is  $O$  and radius  $r$ ; and if  $OP$  meets the chord of contact at  $Q$ , shew that

$$OP \cdot OQ = r^2.$$

11.  $AB$  is a fixed diameter of a circle, and  $CD$  is perpendicular to  $AB$  (or  $AB$  produced); if any straight line is drawn from  $A$  to cut  $CD$  at  $P$  and the circle at  $Q$ , shew that

$$AP \cdot AQ = \text{constant}.$$

## EXERCISES ON THEOREM 56

(Miscellaneous)

1. The chord of an arc of a circle =  $2c$ , the height of the arc =  $h$ , the radius =  $r$ . Shew by Theorem 56 that

$$h(2r - h) = c^2.$$

Hence find the diameter of a circle in which a chord 24" long cuts off a segment 8" in height.

2. The radius of a circular arch is 25 feet, and its height is 18 feet; find the span of the arch.

If the height is reduced by 8 feet, the radius remaining the same, by how much will the span be reduced?

Check your calculated results graphically by a diagram in which 1" represents 10 feet.

3. Employ the equation  $h(2r - h) = c^2$  to find the height of an arc whose chord is 16 cm., and radius 17 cm.

Explain the double result geometrically.

4. If  $d$  denotes the shortest distance from an external point to a circle, and  $t$  the length of the tangent from the same point, shew by Theorem 56 that

$$d(d + 2r) = t^2.$$

Hence find the diameter of the circle when  $d = 1.2''$ , and  $t = 2.4''$ ; and verify your result graphically.

5. If the horizon visible to an observer on a cliff 330 feet above the sea-level is  $22\frac{1}{2}$  miles distant, find roughly the diameter of the earth.

Hence find the approximate distance at which a bright light raised 66 feet above the sea is visible at the sea-level.

6. If  $h$  is the height of an arc of radius  $r$ , and  $b$  the chord of half the arc, prove that

$$b^2 = 2rh.$$

7. A semi-circle is described on  $AB$  as diameter, and any two chords  $AC$ ,  $BD$  are drawn intersecting at  $P$ ; shew that

$$AB^2 = AC \cdot AP + BD \cdot BP.$$

8. Two circles intersect at  $B$  and  $C$ , and the two direct common tangents  $AE$  and  $DF$  are drawn; if the common chord is produced to meet the tangents at  $G$  and  $H$ , shew that

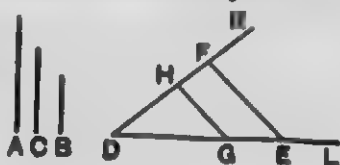
$$GH^2 = AE^2 + BC^2.$$

## PROBLEMS

## PROBLEM 33

*To find the fourth proportional to three given straight lines.*

Let  $A, B, C$  be the three given st. lines, to which the fourth proportional is required.



**Construction.** Draw two st. lines  $DL, DK$  of indefinite length, containing any angle.

From  $DL$  cut off  $DG$  equal to  $A$ , and  $GE$  equal to  $B$  ;  
and from  $DK$  cut off  $DH$  equal to  $C$ .

Join  $GH$ . Through  $E$  draw  $EF$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $GH$ .

Then  $HF$  is the fourth proportional to  $A, B, C$ .

**Proof.** Because  $GH$  is par<sup>l</sup> to  $EF$ , a side of the  $\triangle DEF$  ;  
 $\therefore DG : GE = DH : HF$ .

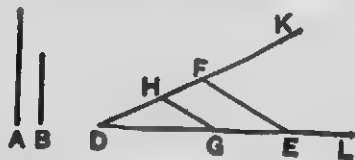
That is,  $A : B = C : HF$ .

Then  $HF$  is the fourth proportional to  $A, B, C$ .

## PROBLEM 34

*To find the third proportional to two given straight lines.*

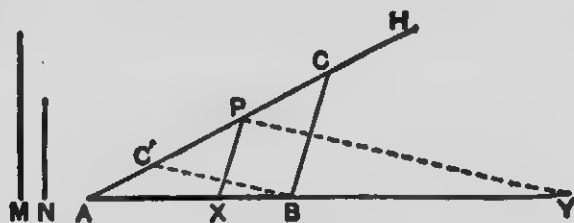
Let  $A, B$  be the two lines to which the third proportional is required.



This problem is that special case of Problem 36 in which  $C = B$ . (See 5, p. 205.) The solution given above applies to it.

## PROBLEM 35

To divide a given straight line internally and externally in a given ratio.



Let  $AB$  be the st. line to be divided internally and externally in the ratio  $M : N$ .

**Construction.** At  $A$  make any angle  $BAH$  with  $AB$ .

From  $AH$  cut off  $AP$  equal to  $M$ .

From  $PH$  and  $PA$  cut off  $PC$  and  $PC'$ , each equal to  $N$ .

Join  $BC, BC'$ .

Through  $P$  draw  $PX$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $BC$ , and  $PY$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $BC'$ .

Then  $AB$  is divided internally at  $X$ , and externally at  $Y$  in the ratio  $M : N$ .

**Proof.** (i) Because  $PX$  is par<sup>l</sup> to  $BC$ , a side of the  $\triangle ABC$ ,  
 $\therefore AX : XB = AP : PC = M : N$ .

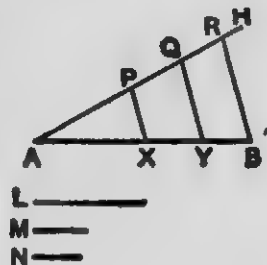
(ii) Because  $PY$  is par<sup>l</sup> to  $BC'$ , a side of the  $\triangle ABC'$ ,  
 $\therefore AY : YB = AP : PC' = M : N$ .

**COROLLARY.** By a similar process a st. line  $AB$  may be divided internally into segments proportional to three lines.

**Construction.** Draw  $AH$ , and from it cut off  $AP, PQ, QR$  equal respectively to  $L, M, N$ . Join  $RB$ ; and through  $P$  and  $Q$  draw  $PX, QY$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $BR$ .

Then evidently

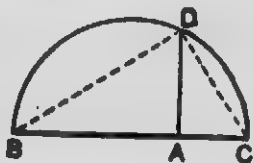
$$AX : L = XY : M = YB : N.$$





PROBLEM 36

To find the mean proportional between two given straight lines.



Let  $AB, AC$  be the two given st. lines.

**Construction.** Place  $AB, AC$  in a straight line, and in opposite senses ; and on  $BC$  describe the semi-circle  $BDC$ .

From  $A$  draw  $AD$  at rt. angles to  $BC$ , to cut the  $\bigcirc^\infty$  at  $D$ . Then  $AD$  is the mean proportional between  $AB$  and  $AC$ .

**Proof.**

Join  $BD, DC$ .

Now the  $\angle BDC$ , being in a semi-circle, is a rt. angle.

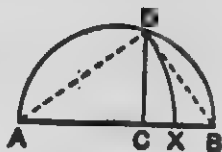
And in the right-angled  $\triangle BDC$ ,  $DA$  is perp. to  $BC$ ,

$\therefore$  the  $\triangle ABD, ADC$  are similar ; *Theor. 54.*

$\therefore AB : AD = AD : AC ;$

that is,  $AD$  is the mean proportional between  $AB$  and  $AC$ .

**NOTE.** If the given lines  $AB, AC$  are placed in the same sense, the mean proportional between them may be cut off from  $AB$  by the following useful construction.



On  $AB$  draw a semi-circle ; and from  $C$  draw  $CD$  perp. to  $AB$  to cut the  $\bigcirc^\infty$  at  $D$ . From  $AB$  cut off  $AX$  equal to  $AD$ .

Then  $AX$  is the mean proportional between  $AB$  and  $AC$ .

For the  $\triangle ABD, ADC$  are similar, *Theor. 54.*

$\therefore AB : AD = AD : AC ;$

$AB : AX = AX : AC.$

that is,

## GRAPHICAL EVALUATION OF A QUADRATIC SURD

**EXAMPLE.** Find the approximate value of (i)  $\sqrt{5}$ , (ii)  $\sqrt{21}$ .

(i)  $\sqrt{5} = \sqrt{5 \times 1}$ . Hence take  $AB$ ,  $AC$  respectively to represent 5 and 1 in terms of any convenient unit, and find  $AD$ , the mean proportional between them.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then} \quad AD^2 &= AB \cdot AC & \text{III, p. 206.} \\ &= 5 \times 1 = 5. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore AD = \sqrt{5}.$$

By measuring  $AD$ , the value of  $\sqrt{5}$  is roughly found to be 2.24.

(ii)  $\sqrt{21} = \sqrt{7 \times 3}$ . Here take  $AB$ ,  $AC$  equal to 7 cm. and 3 cm. respectively, and proceed as before.

**NOTE.** Factors should be chosen so as to give convenient lengths for  $AB$ ,  $AC$ .

$$\text{e.g. } \sqrt{23} = \sqrt{2.3 \times 10}; \quad \sqrt{11} = \sqrt{2.2 \times 5}.$$

## EXERCISES

- Find graphically, testing your results by arithmetic:
  - The 4th proportional to 2.4", 1.5", 1.6".
  - The 3rd proportional to 2.5" and 1.5".
  - The mean proportional between 7.2 cm. and 5.0 cm.
- Divide a line, 2.0" in length, internally and externally in the ratio 7 : 3; and in each case measure and calculate the segments.
- Obtain graphically the unknown term in the following statements of proportion; and check your result by arithmetic:
  - $1.25 : x = 1.0 : 1.6$ . [Take 1" as the unit of length.]
  - $x : 4.2 = 4.2 : 6.3$ . [Take 1 cm. as the unit of length.]
  - $x : 16 = 25 : x$ . [Let 1" represent 10.]
- Divide a line, 7.2 cm. in length, into three parts proportional to the numbers 2, 3, 4. Measure and calculate these parts.
- Divide a line, 3.9" in length, into three parts, so that the second =  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the first, and the third =  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the second.
- On a side of 1.5" draw a rectangle equal in area to a square on a side of 2". Measure the other side of the rectangle.
- Find graphically the approximate values of
  - $\sqrt{3}$ ; (ii)  $\sqrt{10}$ ; (iii)  $\sqrt{14}$ .

8. Determine geometrically the approximate values of the following expressions, verifying each drawing arithmetically:

$$(i) \frac{3.5 \times 2.4}{2.8}; \quad (ii) \frac{6.84}{2.13}; \quad (iii) \frac{2.71 \times 1.26}{1.51}.$$

9. Draw a triangle  $ABC$  from each of the following sets of data, and in each case calculate and measure the lengths of the sides:

- (i) The perimeter = 4.8"; and  $a:3 = b:4 = c:5$ .
- (ii) The perimeter = 11.1 cm.; and  $a = \frac{1}{2}b$ ,  $b = \frac{1}{3}c$ .
- (iii) The perimeter = 11.8 cm.; and  $A:1 = B:2 = C:3$ .
- (iv)  $a = 4.0'$ ,  $A = 90^\circ$ ; and  $b:c = 5:3$ .

10. A field is represented in a plan by a triangle  $ABC$ , in which  $a = 8$  cm.,  $b = 5.6$  cm.,  $c = 6.4$  cm. If the greatest side of the field is 200 metres, find the lengths of the other sides.

A fence, run across the field, is represented in the plan by a line  $PQ$  parallel to  $BC$  drawn from a point  $P$  in  $AB$  distant 4.0 cm. from  $A$ . Find the length of the fence.

11. A man 6 feet in height, standing 15 feet from a lamp-post, observes that his shadow cast by the light is 5 feet in length; how high is the light, and how long would his shadow be if he were to approach 8 feet nearer to the post?

12. To find the width of a canal a rod is fixed vertically on the bank so as to shew  $4\frac{1}{2}$  feet of its length. The observer, whose eye is 5 ft. 8 in. above the ground, retires at right angles from the canal until he sees the top of the rod in a line with the further bank. If his distance from the canal is now 20 feet, what is its width?

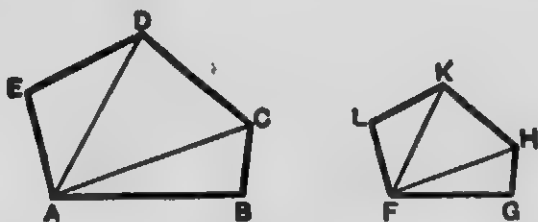
13. A man, wishing to ascertain the height of a tower, fixes a staff vertically in the ground at a distance of 27 ft. from the tower. Then, retiring 3 ft. farther from the tower, he sees the top of the staff in line with the top of the tower. If the observer's eye and the top of the staff are respectively 5 ft. 4 in. and 12 ft. above the ground, find the height of the tower.

14. A person due S. of a lighthouse observes that his shadow cast by the light at the top is 24 feet long. On walking 100 yards due E. he finds his shadow to be 30 feet long. Supposing him to be 6 feet high, find the height of the light from the ground.

## SIMILAR POLYGONS

## THEOREM 57

*Similar polygons can be divided into the same number of similar triangles; and the lines joining corresponding vertices in each figure are proportional.*



Let  $ABCDE$ ,  $FGHKL$  be similar polygons, the vertex  $A$  corresponding to the vertex  $F$ ,  $B$  to  $G$ , and so on. Let  $AC$ ,  $AD$  be joined, and also  $FH$ ,  $FK$ .

*It is required to prove that*

(i) the  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $FGH$  are similar; as also the  $\triangle ACD$ ,  $FHK$ , and the  $\triangle ADE$ ,  $FKL$ .

(ii)  $AB : FG = AC : FH = AD : FK$ .

**Proof.** (i) Since the polygons are similar, the  $\angle ABC =$  the  $\angle FGH$ , and  $AB : FG = BC : GH$ ;

$\therefore$  the  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $FGH$  are similar. *Theor. 52.*

$\therefore$  the  $\angle BCA =$  the  $\angle GHF$ ;

Also the  $\angle BCD =$  the  $\angle GHK$ ;

$\therefore$  the  $\angle ACD =$  the  $\angle FHK$ .

Also  $AC : FH = BC : GH$  (the  $\triangle$  being similar)  
 $= CD : HK$  (the polygons being similar).

$\therefore$  the  $\triangle ACD$ ,  $FHK$  are similar. *Theor. 52.*

In the same way the  $\triangle ADE$ ,  $FKL$  are similar.

(ii) And  $AB : FG = AC : FH$ , from the similar  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $FGH$  ;  
 $= AD : FK$ , from the similar  $\triangle CAD$ ,  $HFK$ .

Q.E.D.

NOTE. In Theorem 57 the polygons have been divided into similar triangles by lines drawn from a pair of corresponding vertices. Other ways in which this subdivision may be made are :

(i) By lines drawn from a pair of corresponding points on the perimeters of the figures, but not vertices.

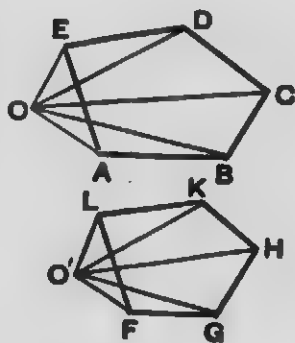
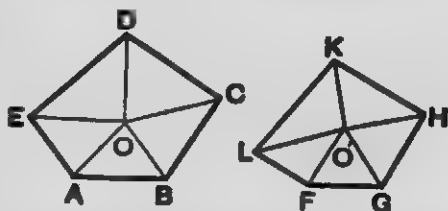
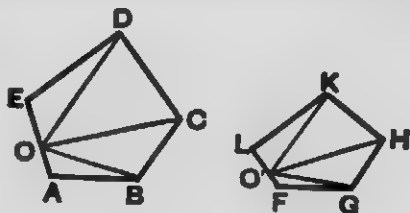
(ii) By lines drawn from a pair of corresponding points within the polygons.

The proofs of the proposition for these cases are left as an exercise for the student.

It is well to notice also the following case in which the subdivision is made.

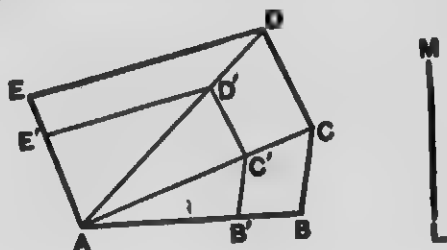
(iii) By lines drawn from a pair of corresponding points outside the polygons.

In this case let the student prove that the corresponding triangles are similar and note that these triangles are not parts of the polygons but that the polygon  $ABCDE =$  the sum of the  $\triangle OAB$ ,  $OBC$ ,  $OCD$ ,  $ODE$  diminished by the  $\triangle OAE$ ; and similarly for the polygon  $FGHKL$ .



**PROBLEM 37. [First Method.]**

*On a side of given length to draw a figure similar to a given rectilineal figure.*



Let  $ABCDE$  be the given figure, and  $LM$  the length of the given side ; and suppose that this side is to correspond to  $AB$ .

**Construction.** From  $AB$  cut off  $AB'$  equal to  $LM$ .  
Join  $AC, AD$ .

From  $B'$  draw  $B'C'$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $BC$ , to cut  $AC$  at  $C'$ .

From  $C'$  draw  $C'D'$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $CD$ , to cut  $AD$  at  $D'$ .

From  $D'$  draw  $D'E'$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $DE$ , to cut  $EA$  at  $E'$ .

Then  $AB'C'D'E'$  is the required figure.

**Outline of Proof.** (i) By construction the figure  $AB'C'D'E'$  is equiangular to the figure  $ABCDE$ .

(ii) From the three pairs of similar triangles it may be shewn that

$$\frac{AB'}{AB} = \frac{B'C'}{BC} = \frac{C'D'}{CD} = \frac{D'E'}{DE} = \frac{E'A}{EA} ;$$

that is, corresponding sides of the polygons are proportional. Accordingly the figure  $AB'C'D'E'$  described on a line equal to  $LM$  is similar to  $ABCDE$ .

## THEOREM 58

*Any two similar rectilineal figures may be so placed that the lines joining corresponding vertices are concurrent.*

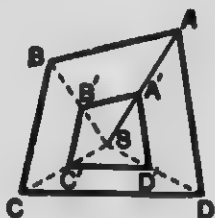


Fig. 1.

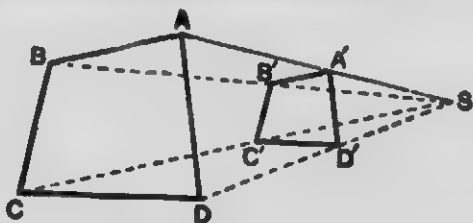


Fig. 2.

Let  $ABCD$ ,  $A'B'C'D'$  be similar figures.

Then since the  $\angle B' = \angle B$ , the figures can be so placed that  $A'B'$ ,  $B'C'$  are respectively  $\text{par}^l$  to  $AB$ ,  $BC$ . It follows, since the figures are equiangular to one another, that  $C'D'$  is  $\text{par}^l$  to  $CD$ , and  $D'A'$   $\text{par}^l$  to  $DA$ .

*It is required to prove that when corresponding sides of the figures are parallel,  $AA'$ ,  $BB'$ ,  $CC'$ ,  $DD'$  are concurrent.*

Join  $AA'$ ; divide it externally at  $S$  in the ratio  $AB : A'B'$ .

Join  $SB$  and  $SB'$ ; it will be shewn that  $SB$  and  $SB'$  are in one straight line.

**Proof.** In the  $\triangle SAB$ ,  $SA'B'$ , since  $AB$  and  $A'B'$  are  $\text{par}^l$ ,  
 $\therefore$  the  $\angle SAB = \angle SA'B'$ ;

and, by construction,  $SA : SA' = AB : A'B'$ ;

$\therefore$  the  $\triangle SAB$ ,  $SA'B'$  are similar;

*Theor. 52.*

$\therefore$  the  $\angle ASB = \angle A'SB'$ .

Hence  $SB$ ,  $SB'$  are in the same st. line ;

that is,  $BB'$  passes through the fixed point  $S$ .

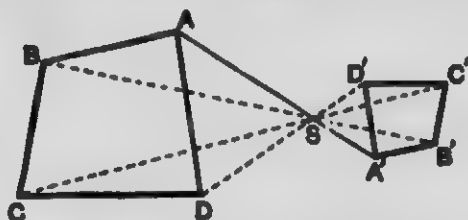
Similarly  $CC'$  and  $DD'$  may be shown to pass through  $S$ .

That is,  $AA'$ ,  $BB'$ ,  $CC'$ ,  $DD'$  are concurrent. Q.E.D.

**NOTE.** Observe that the joining lines  $AA'$ ,  $BB'$ ,  $CC'$ ,  $DD'$  are all divided externally at  $S$  in the ratio of any pair of corresponding sides of the given figures.  $S$  is called the centre of similarity.

**NOTE.** In placing the given figures so that  $A'B'$ ,  $B'C'$  are respectively parallel to  $AB$ ,  $BC$ , two cases arise:

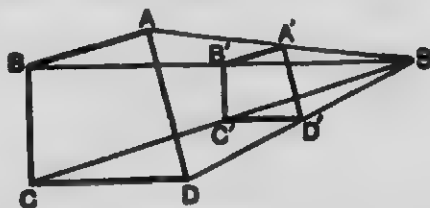
- (i)  $A'B'$  and  $AB$  may have the same sense, as in Figs. 1 and 2;
- (ii)  $A'B'$  and  $AB$  may have opposite senses, as in the Fig. below.



In the latter case it follows also that  $C'D'$  is par<sup>l</sup> to  $CD$ , and  $D'A'$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $DA$ , and it may be proved that  $AA'$ ,  $BB'$ ,  $CC'$ ,  $DD'$  are concurrent; but here  $S$  divides  $AA'$  internally in the ratio  $AB : A'B'$ .

**PROBLEM 37.** [Second Method.]

*On a given side to draw a figure similar to a given figure.*



Let  $ABCD$  be the given figure, and  $A'B'$  the given side; and let  $A'B'$  correspond to  $AB$ .

**Construction.** Place  $A'B'$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $AB$ ; and join  $AA'$ ,  $BB'$  by lines meeting at  $S$ .

Join  $SC$ ,  $SD$ .

Through  $B'$  draw  $B'C'$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $BC$ , to meet  $SC$  at  $C'$ ;  
through  $C'$  draw  $C'D'$  par<sup>l</sup> to  $CD$ , to meet  $SD$  at  $D'$ .

Join  $A'D'$ .

Then  $A'B'C'D'$  is the required figure.

The student should prove (i) that  $A'B'C'D'$  is equiangular to  $ABCD$ , (ii) that corresponding sides of these figures are proportional. The proof is the converse of Theorem 58.



## EXERCISES ON SIMILAR FIGURES

(Numerical and Graphical)

1. On a base  $AB$ , 6.5 cm. in length, draw a quadrilateral  $ABCD$  from the following data:

$\angle A = 80^\circ$ ,  $\angle B = 70^\circ$ ,  $AD = 4.4$  cm.,  $BC = 3.2$  cm.

Taking any convenient point as centre of similarity, make

- (i) A reduced copy of  $ABCD$ , such that the ratio of each side to the corresponding side of  $ABCD$  is 3 : 4.
- (ii) An enlarged copy of  $ABCD$ , such that the ratio of each side to the corresponding side of  $ABCD$  is 5 : 4.

2. In a semi-circle drawn on a given diameter  $AB$ , inscribe a square, so that two vertices may be on the arc, and two on  $AB$ .

If  $AB = 2r$ , and the side of the inscribed square =  $a$ , shew that  $5a^2 = 4r^2$ .

3. Draw a sector of a circle of radius 2.4'', the central angle being  $60^\circ$ ; and inscribe a square in it.

If the radius of the sector =  $r$ , and the side of the square =  $a$ , calculate from measurements the ratio  $a : r$ .

4. In a sector of which the radius = 5 cm., and the central angle =  $45^\circ$ , inscribe a rectangle with its sides in the ratio 2 : 1.

Prove that two such rectangles can be drawn, and compare by measurement their greater sides.

5. Draw a triangle  $ABC$ , making  $a = 8$  cm.,  $b = 7$  cm., and  $c = 6$  cm.

Working from the vertex  $A$  as centre of similarity, inscribe a square in the triangle, so that two of its angular points may be in the base  $BC$ , and the other two in  $AB$ ,  $AC$ .

6. Draw a triangle  $ABC$ , making  $a = 2.6''$ ,  $B = 110^\circ$ ,  $C = 35^\circ$ .

In the triangle  $ABC$  inscribe an equilateral triangle, having

- (i) one side parallel to  $BC$ ;
- (ii) one side parallel to any given straight line.

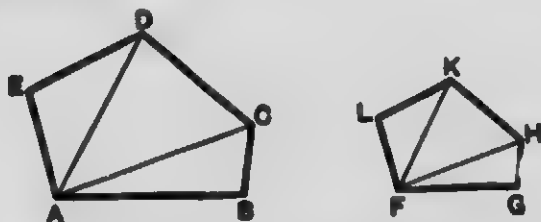
7. In a given triangle  $ABC$  inscribe a triangle similar to a given triangle  $DEF$ .

In how many ways may this be done?

8. Draw a regular hexagon  $ABCDEF$  on a side of 1.2'', and in it inscribe a square having two sides parallel to  $AB$  and  $DE$ , and its vertices on the remaining sides of the hexagon.

## THEOREM 59. [Euclid VI. 20]

*The areas of similar polygons are proportional to the squares on corresponding sides.*



Let  $ABCDE$ ,  $FGHLK$  be similar polygons, and let  $AB$   $FG$  be corresponding sides.

*It is required to prove that*

*the polygon  $ABCDE$  : the polygon  $FGHLK$  =  $AB^2$  :  $FG^2$ .*

*Join  $AC$ ,  $AD$ ,  $FH$ ,  $FK$ .*

**Proof.** Then the  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $FGH$  are similar ; *Theor. 57.*

also the  $\triangle ACD$ ,  $FHK$  are similar ;

and the  $\triangle ADE$ ,  $FKL$  are similar.

$\therefore$  the  $\triangle ABC$  : the  $\triangle FGH$  =  $AC^2$  :  $FH^2$  *Theor. 55.*  
= the  $\triangle ACD$  : the  $\triangle FHK$ .

Similarly,

the  $\triangle ACB$  : the  $\triangle FHK$  =  $AD^2$  :  $FK^2$   
= the  $\triangle ADE$  : the  $\triangle FKL$ .

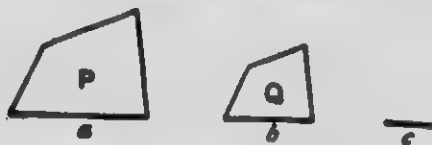
Hence 
$$\frac{\triangle ABC}{\triangle FGH} = \frac{\triangle ACD}{\triangle FHK} = \frac{\triangle ADE}{\triangle FKL}.$$

And in this series of equal ratios, the sum of the antecedents is to the sum of the consequents as each antecedent is to its consequent ; *Theor. V, p. 207.*

$\therefore$  the fig.  $ABCDE$  : the fig.  $FGHLK$   
= the  $\triangle ABC$  : the  $\triangle FGH$   
=  $AB^2$  :  $FG^2$ .

Q.E.D.

COROLLARY 1. Let  $a, b, c$  represent three lines in proportion, so that  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{b}{c}$ ; and consequently  $b^2 = ac$ .



Now suppose similar figures  $P$  and  $Q$  to be drawn on  $a$  and  $b$  as corresponding sides, then

$$\frac{\text{Fig. } P}{\text{Fig. } Q} = \frac{a^2}{b^2} = \frac{a^2}{ac} = \frac{a}{c}.$$

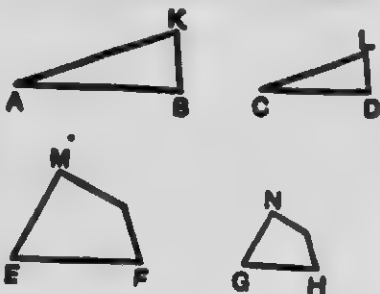
Hence if three straight lines are proportionals, and any similar figures are drawn on the first and second as corresponding sides, then

the fig. on the first : the fig. on the second = the first : the third.

COROLLARY 2. Let

$$AB : CD = EF : GH;$$

and let similar figures  $KAB, LCD$  be similarly described on  $AB, CD$ , and also let similar figures  $MF, NH$  be similarly described on  $EF, GH$ .



$$\text{Then since } \frac{AB}{CD} = \frac{EF}{GH}; \therefore \frac{AB^2}{CD^2} = \frac{EF^2}{GH^2}.$$

But the fig.  $KAB$  : the fig.  $LCD = AB^2 : CD^2$ ; Theor. 59.  
and the fig.  $MF$  : the fig.  $NH = EF^2 : GH^2$ .

$\therefore$  the fig.  $KAB$  : the fig.  $LCD =$  the fig.  $MF$  : the fig.  $NH$ .

Hence if four straight lines are proportional, and a pair of similar rectilineal figures are similarly described on the first and second, and also a pair on the third and fourth, these figures are proportional.

## EXERCISES

1. Similar figures are described on the side and diagonal of a square; prove that the ratio of their areas is 1:2.

2. Similar figures are described on the side and altitude of an equilateral triangle; prove that the ratio of their areas is 4:3.

3. The area of a regular pentagon on a side of 2.5" is approximately  $10\frac{1}{2}$  sq. in.; find the area of a similar figure on a side of 3.0".

4. The length of a rectangular area is 10.8 metres, and the ratio of the length to the breadth is 12:5; find the length and breadth of a similar rectangle containing one-ninth of the area.


5. In the plan of a certain field, 1" represents 66 yards; if the area of the plan is found to be 100 sq. in., find the area of the field in acres.

Explain why in this example the *shape* of the field is immaterial.

6. An estate is represented on a plan by a quadrilateral  $ABCD$  drawn to the scale of 25" to the mile. If  $AC = 20''$ , and the off-sets from  $AC$  to  $B$  and  $D$  measure 24" and 26" respectively, find the acreage of the estate.

7. A field of 1.89 hectares is represented on a plan by a triangle whose sides measure 13 cm., 14 cm., and 15 cm. On what scale is the plan drawn?

8. A regular hexagon is drawn on a side of  $a$  cm. and a second hexagon is inscribed in it by joining the middle points of the sides in order. In like manner a third hexagon is inscribed in the second; and so on. Find the ratio of the first hexagon to the fifth.

9. Compare the area of any regular hexagon with the areas of the regular hexagons described on two unequal diagonals of the original 

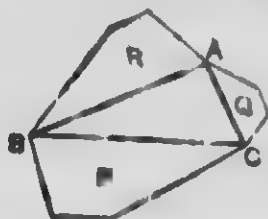
10. Compare the areas of the regular inscribed and the regular circumscribed hexagons of any circle.

11. Shew that the areas of two similar cyclic figures are proportional to the squares of the diameters of their circum-circles.

12. Two similar polygons which are equal in area are equal in all respects.

## THEOREM 60. [Euclid VI. 31]

*In a right-angled triangle, any rectilineal figure described on the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the two similar and similarly described figures on the sides containing the right angle.*



Let  $ABC$  be a right-angled triangle of which  $BC$  is the hypotenuse ; and let  $P, Q, R$  be similar and similarly described figures on  $BC, CA, AB$  respectively.

*It is required to prove that*

the fig.  $R +$  the fig.  $Q =$  the fig.  $P$ .

**Proof.** Since  $AB$  and  $BC$  are corresponding sides of the similar figs.  $R$  and  $P$ ,

$$\therefore \frac{\text{fig. } R}{\text{fig. } P} = \frac{AB^2}{BC^2} \dots\dots (i) \quad \text{Theor. 29.}$$

In like manner, 
$$\frac{\text{fig. } Q}{\text{fig. } P} = \frac{AC^2}{BC^2} \dots\dots (ii)$$

Adding the equal ratios on each side in (i) and (ii)

$$\frac{\text{fig. } R + \text{fig. } Q}{\text{fig. } P} = \frac{AB^2 + AC^2}{BC^2}.$$

But

$$AB^2 + AC^2 = BC^2 ;$$

Theor. 29.

$\therefore$  the fig.  $R +$  the fig.  $Q =$  the fig.  $P$ . Q.E.D.

**COROLLARY.** *The area of a circle drawn on the hypotenuse of a right-angled triangle as diameter is equal to the sum of the circles similarly drawn on the other sides.*

For the areas of circles are proportional to the squares on their diameters. [Page 199.]

## EXERCISES

(Miscellaneous)

1. In a triangle  $ABC$ , right-angled at  $A$ ,  $AD$  is drawn perpendicular to the hypotenuse. Shew that

$$(i) BA^2 = BC \cdot BD; \quad (ii) CA^2 = CB \cdot CD.$$

Hence deduce Theorem 29, namely,

$$BC^2 = BA^2 + AC^2.$$

2. In the diagram of Theorem 60, draw  $AD$  perpendicular to  $BC$ ; hence prove that, if the fig.  $P$  = the  $\triangle ABC$ , then

(i) the fig.  $Q$  = the  $\triangle ADC$ ; (ii) the fig.  $R$  = the  $\triangle ADB$ .

3. In the diagram of Theorem 60, if  $AB : AC = 8 : 5$ , and if the fig.  $P = 8.9$  sq. cm., find the areas of the figs.  $Q$  and  $R$ .

4.  $BY$  and  $CZ$  are medians of the triangle  $ABC$ , and  $YZ$  is joined. Find the ratio of the triangle  $BGC$  to the triangle  $YGZ$ . [See p. 98.]

5.  $ABC$  is an isosceles triangle, the equal sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$  each measuring  $3.6''$ . From a point  $D$  in  $AB$ , a straight line  $DE$  is drawn cutting  $AC$  produced at  $E$ , and making the triangle  $ADE$  equal in area to the triangle  $ABC$ . If  $AD = 1.8''$ , find  $AE$ .

6.  $AB$  is a diameter of a circle, and two chords  $AP$ ,  $AQ$  are produced to meet the tangent at  $B$  in  $X$  and  $Y$ .

Shew that (i) the  $\triangle APQ$ ,  $AYX$  are similar;

(ii) the four points  $P$ ,  $Q$ ,  $Y$ ,  $X$  are concyclic.

7. In the triangle  $ABC$ , the angle  $A$  is externally bisected by a line which meets the base produced at  $D$  and the circum-circle at  $E$ ; shew that

$$AB \cdot AC = AE \cdot AD.$$

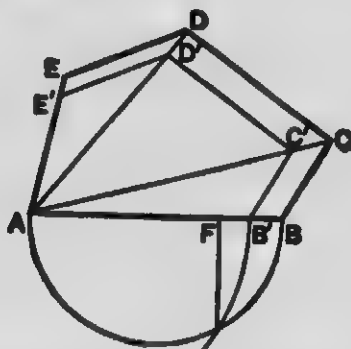
8. Draw an isosceles triangle equal in area to a triangle  $ABC$ , and having its vertical angle equal to the angle  $A$ .

9. On a given base draw an isosceles triangle equal in area to a given triangle  $ABC$ .

10. Any regular polygon inscribed in a circle is the geometric mean between the inscribed and circumscribed regular polygons of half the number of sides.

## PROBLEM 38

To draw a figure similar to a given rectilineal figure, and equal to a given fraction of it in area.



Let  $ABCDE$  be the given figure, to which a similar figure is to be drawn, having its area a given fraction (say *three-fourths*) of that of the fig.  $ABCDE$ .

**Construction.** Make  $AF$  *three-fourths* of  $AB$ . *Prob. 7.*

From  $AB$  cut off  $AB'$  the mean proportional between  $AF$  and  $AB$ .

*Prob. 39. Note.*

On  $AB'$  draw the fig.  $AB'C'D'E'$  similar to the fig.  $ABCDE$ .

*Prob. 40.*

Then the fig.  $AB'C'D'E' = \frac{3}{4}$  of the fig.  $ABCDE$ .

**Proof.** By construction,  $AB'^2 = AF \cdot AB$ .

Now the figs.  $ABCDE$ ,  $AB'C'D'E'$  are similar, and  $AB$ ,  $AB'$  are corresponding sides ;

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{\text{fig. } AB'C'D'E'}{\text{fig. } ABCDE} &= \frac{AB'^2}{AB^2} && \text{Theor. 59.} \\ &= \frac{AF \cdot AB}{AB^2} \\ &= \frac{AF}{AB} = \frac{3}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

## EXERCISES

1. Divide a triangle  $ABC$  into two parts of equal area by a line  $XY$  drawn parallel to the base  $BC$  and cutting the other sides at  $X$  and  $Y$ .

Find (i) by calculation, (ii) by measurement, the ratio  $AX : AB$ .

2. Divide a triangle  $ABC$  into three parts of equal area by lines  $PQ$ ,  $XY$  drawn parallel to the base  $BC$ . If  $P$  and  $X$  lie in  $AB$ , prove that

$$\frac{AP}{1} = \frac{AX}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{AB}{\sqrt{3}}.$$

Hence shew how a triangle may be divided into  $n$  equal parts by lines drawn parallel to one side.

3. Draw a rectangle of length 8 cm., and breadth 5 cm. Then draw a similar rectangle of one-third the area.

Measure its length to the nearest millimetre, and verify your result by calculation.

4. Draw a quadrilateral  $ABCD$  from the following data :

the  $\angle A = 90^\circ$ ;  $AB = BC = 8$  cm.;  $AD = DC = 6$  cm.

Draw a similar quadrilateral to contain an area of 36 sq. cm., and find to the nearest millimetre the length of the side corresponding to  $AB$ .

5. Divide a circle of radius 3" into three equal parts by means of two concentric circles.

6. Draw a rectilineal figure equal in area to a given figure  $E$ , and similar to a given figure  $S$ . [Euclid VI. 25.]

[First replace the given figures  $E$  and  $S$  by equivalent squares (see Problems 19 and 33). Let the sides of these squares be  $a$  and  $b$  respectively, and let  $s$  be one of the sides of  $S$ .

Find  $p$ , a fourth proportional to  $b$ ,  $a$ ,  $s$ , so that  $b : a = s : p$ .

On  $p$  draw a figure  $P$  similar to the figure  $S$ , so that  $p$  and  $s$  are corresponding sides. Then  $P$  is the figure required ;

$$\text{for} \quad \frac{P}{S} = \frac{p^2}{s^2} = \frac{a^2}{b^2} = \frac{E}{S}.$$

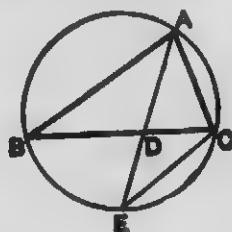
$\therefore$  the fig.  $P =$  the fig.  $E$ .]



MISCELLANEOUS THEOREMS

\* THEOREM 61

If the vertical angle of a triangle is bisected by a straight line which cuts the base, the rectangle contained by the sides of the triangle is equal to the rectangle contained by the segments of the base, together with the square on the straight line which bisects the angle.



Let  $ABC$  be a triangle, having the  $\angle BAC$  bisected by  $AD$ .

It is required to prove that

the rect.  $AB, AC$  = the rect.  $BD, DC$  + the sq. on  $AD$ .

Suppose a circle circumscribed about the  $\triangle ABC$ ; and let  $AD$  be produced to meet the  $\odot^{\infty}$  at  $E$ .

Join  $EC$ .

**Proof.** Then in the  $\triangle BAD, EAC$ ,

because the  $\angle BAD$  = the  $\angle EAC$ ,

and the  $\angle ABD$  = the  $\angle AEC$  in the same segment;

$\therefore$  the remaining  $\angle BDA$  = the remaining  $\angle ECA$ ;

that is, the  $\triangle BAD, EAC$  are equiangular to one another;

$$\therefore \frac{AB}{AE} = \frac{AD}{AC}. \quad \text{Theor. 50.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } AB \cdot AC &= AE \cdot AD = (AD + DE) AD \\ &= AD^2 + AD \cdot DE. \end{aligned}$$

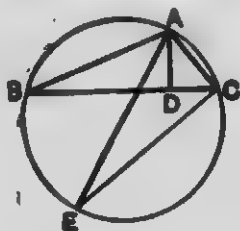
$$\text{But } AD \cdot DE = BD \cdot DC; \quad \text{Theor. 56.}$$

$$\therefore \text{the rect. } AB, AC = \text{the rect. } BD, DC + \text{the sq. on } AD.$$

Q.E.D.

## \* THEOREM 62

If from the vertical angle of a triangle a straight line is drawn perpendicular to the base, the rectangle contained by the sides of the triangle is equal to the rectangle contained by the perpendicular and the diameter of the circum-circle.



In the  $\triangle ABC$ , let  $AD$  be the perp. from  $A$  to the base  $BC$ ; and let  $AE$  be a diameter of the circum-circle.

It is required to prove that

the rect.  $AB, AC$  = the rect.  $AE, AD$ .

Join  $EC$ .

**Proof.** Then in the  $\triangle BAD, EAC$ ,  
the rt. angle  $BDA$  = the rt. angle  $ECA$ , in the semi-circle  $ECA$ ,

and the  $\angle ABD$  = the  $\angle AEC$ , in the same segment.

$\therefore$  the remaining  $\angle BAD$  = the remaining  $\angle EAC$ ;  
that is, the  $\triangle BAD, EAC$  are equiangular to one another.

$\therefore AB : AE = AD : AC$ ; Theor. 50.

Hence the rect.  $AB, AC$  = the rect.  $AE, AD$ . Q.E.D.

**NOTE.** Let  $a, b, c$  denote the sides of the  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $R$  its circum-radius, and  $p$  the perp.  $AD$ .

Then since

$$AE \cdot AD = AB \cdot AC$$

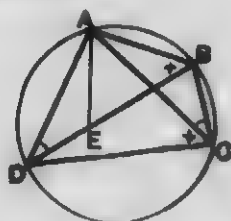
$$2R \cdot p = cb.$$

$$\therefore R = \frac{bc}{2p}$$

$$= \frac{abc}{2ap} = \frac{abc}{4\Delta}.$$

**THEOREM 63.** [Ptolemy's Theorem]

*The rectangle contained by the diagonals of a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle is equal to the sum of the two rectangles contained by its opposite sides.*



Let  $ABCD$  be a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle and let  $AC, BD$  be its diagonals.

*It is required to prove that*

*the rect.  $AC, BD$  = the rect.  $AB, CD$  + the rect.  $BC, DA$ .*

Make the  $\angle DAE$  equal to the  $\angle BAC$  ;

to each add the  $\angle EAC$ ,

then the  $\angle DAC =$  the  $\angle EAB$ .

**Proof.** Since the  $\angle EAB =$  the  $\angle DAC$ ,

and the  $\angle ABE =$  the  $\angle ACD$  in the same segment ;

$\therefore$  the  $\triangle EAB, DAC$  are equiangular to one another ;

$$\therefore BA : CA = BE : CD; \quad \text{Theor. 50.}$$

hence

$$AB \cdot CD = AC \cdot BE. \quad \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

Again in the  $\triangle DAE, CAB$ ,

the  $\angle DAE =$  the  $\angle CAB$ ,

and the  $\angle ADE =$  the  $\angle ACB$ , in the same segment ;

$\therefore$  the  $\triangle DAE, CAB$  are equiangular to one another.

$$\therefore DA : CA = DE : CB;$$

hence

$$BC \cdot DA = AC \cdot DE. \quad \dots \dots \dots (ii)$$

Adding the equal rectangles on each side in (i) and (ii)

$$AB \cdot CD + BC \cdot DA = AC \cdot BE + AC \cdot DE$$

$$= AC(BE + DE)$$

$$= AC \cdot BD.$$

Q.E.D

## EXERCISES

1.  $ABC$  is an isosceles triangle, and on the base, or base produced, any point  $X$  is taken; shew that the circumscribed circles of the triangles  $ABX$ ,  $ACX$  are equal.

2. From the extremities  $B$ ,  $C$  of the base of an isosceles triangle  $ABC$ , straight lines are drawn perpendicular to  $AB$ ,  $AC$  respectively, and intersecting at  $D$ ; shew that

$$BC \cdot AD = 2AB \cdot DB.$$

3. If the diagonals of a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle are at right angles, the sum of the rectangles contained by the opposite sides is double the area of the figure.

4.  $ABCD$  is a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle, and the diagonal  $BD$  bisects  $AC$ ; shew that

$$AD \cdot AB = DC \cdot CB.$$

5. If the vertex  $A$  of a triangle  $ABC$  is joined to any point in the base, it will divide the triangle into two triangles such that their circumscribed circles have radii in the ratio of  $AB$  to  $AC$ .

6. Construct a triangle, having given the base, the vertical angle, and the rectangle contained by the sides.

7. Two triangles of equal area are inscribed in the same circle; shew that the rectangle contained by any two sides of the one is to the rectangle contained by any two sides of the other as the base of the second is to the base of the first.

8.  $P$  is a point on the arc  $BC$  of the circum-circle of an equilateral triangle  $ABC$ . If  $P$  is joined to  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ , shew that

$$PB + PC = PA.$$

9.  $ABCD$  is a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle, and  $BD$  bisects the angle  $ABC$ ; if the points  $A$  and  $C$  are fixed on the circumference of the circle, and  $B$  is variable in position, shew that

$$AB + BC : BD \text{ is a constant ratio.}$$

10. From the formula  $R = \frac{abc}{4\Delta}$  (see NOTE, p. 254) find the value of  $R$  when the sides of the triangle are as follows:

(i) 21", 20", 13"; (ii) 30 ft., 25 ft., 11 ft.

Draw to a convenient scale and check your work by measurement.

## MISCELLANEOUS EXAMPLES

## PARTS I-IV

1. The bisector of the angle  $P$  of the triangle  $PQR$  meets  $QR$  at  $S$  and  $QR$  is produced to  $T$ . Prove the sum of the angles  $PQR$  and  $PRT$  equals twice the angle  $PSR$ .
2.  $L$  and  $M$  are the middle points of the sides  $PQ$ ,  $PR$  of the  $\triangle PQR$ .  $RL$  and  $QM$  are produced to  $T$  and  $S$  so that  $RL = LT$  and  $QM = MS$ . Prove that  $T$ ,  $P$ ,  $S$  are collinear and that  $PT = PS$ .
3. In the isosceles  $\triangle PQR$ ,  $PQ = PR$ .  $PS$  and  $PT$  are equal parts cut off from  $PQ$ ,  $PR$  respectively.  $QT$ ,  $RS$  intersect at  $O$ . Prove  $\triangle TOS$ ,  $QOR$  isosceles.
4. A st. line  $PR$  is bisected at  $Q$ . From  $P$  and  $R$   $PT$ ,  $RS$  are drawn perpendicular to any other st. line and  $QS$ ,  $QT$  joined; prove  $\triangle QTS$  isosceles.
5.  $PQR$  is a  $\triangle$ .  $PS$  is  $\perp QR$  and  $PT$  bisects angle  $QPR$ . Prove angle  $SPT = \text{half the difference of the angles } Q \text{ and } R$ .
6. Find a point such that its distances from two given intersecting straight lines shall be equal to two given lengths.
7.  $G$  is any point in the base  $EF$  of the isosceles  $\triangle DEF$ .  $DG$  is joined and bisected at  $H$ . Prove  $HF > HG$ .
8. The vertical  $\angle A$  of the  $\triangle ABC$  is bisected by  $AD$  which meets the base  $BC$  at  $D$ .  $DM$ ,  $DN$  drawn  $\parallel$  to  $AB$ ,  $AC$  resp. meet  $AC$  in  $M$  and  $AB$  in  $N$ . Prove the four sides of figure  $ANDM$  equal.
9. The base  $BC$  of the  $\triangle ABC$  is produced to  $D$ .  $BO$  bisecting  $\angle ABC$  and  $CO$  bisecting  $\angle ACD$  meet at  $O$ . Prove  $\angle BOC = \frac{1}{2} \angle A$ .
10.  $AD$  joins the vertex  $A$  of the triangle  $ABC$  to the middle point  $D$  of  $BC$ . Shew that  $AD >$ ,  $=$  or  $<$   $BD$  according as  $\angle BAC$  is acute, right, or obtuse.

11.  $BC$  is the base of an isosceles triangle  $ABC$ . A circle with centre  $C$  and radius  $CB$  cuts  $AB$ ,  $AC$  in  $D$  and  $E$  resp. Shew that  $DE$  is parallel to the bisector of  $\angle B$ .
12. The quadrilateral formed by the bisectors of the angles of any quadrilateral is cyclic.
13.  $PQ$  and  $RS$  are two equal straight lines not in the same straight line. Find a point  $T$  so that the  $\triangle TPQ = \triangle TRS$ .
14.  $PQRS$  is a parallelogram.  $DE$  drawn  $\parallel PR$  meets  $SP$ ,  $SR$  produced if necessary at  $D$  and  $E$ . Prove  $\triangle QDP = \triangle QER$ .
15. Trisect a parallelogram by st. lines through a vertex.
16.  $P$  and  $Q$  are two fixed points. Find a point  $O$  such that  $OP^2 + OQ^2$  may be a minimum.
17.  $PQRS$  is a parallelogram.  $PT$  is drawn to any point  $T$  in  $QR$  and  $O$  is any point in  $PT$ . Prove  $\triangle QOR = \triangle TOS$ .
18. If two chords of a circle intersect at right angles, the sum of the squares on their segments equals the square on a diameter.
19. Find a point within a given triangle at which the three sides subtend equal angles. When is the solution possible?
20. Through an intersection of two given circles draw the greatest possible st. line terminated by the two circumferences.
21. Describe a circle of given radius to touch two given circles.
22. Describe a circle of given radius to touch two given intersecting st. lines.
23. From a given point  $P$  without a given circle draw a secant  $PQR$  such that  $PQ = QR$ .
24. From the extremities of the diameter of a circle perpendiculars are drawn to any chord. Shew that the centre is equally distant from the feet of the perpendiculars.
25. Draw a tangent to a circle which shall bisect a given parallelogram which is outside the circle.
26. Describe a circle with given radius to touch a given st. line and have its centre in another given st. line.
27. Describe a circle with given radius to pass through a given point and touch a given st. line.

28. Describe a circle with given radius to touch a given circle and a given st. line.

29.  $AD$  and  $AE$  bisect the interior and exterior angles at  $A$  of  $\triangle ABC$ , and meet  $BC$  at  $D$  and  $E$ ; and  $O$  is the middle point of  $BC$ . Prove  $OC^2 = OD \cdot OE$ .

30. In a given circle inscribe a triangle whose sides are parallel to three given st. lines.

31. Two circles whose centres are  $A$  and  $B$  touch externally at  $P$ , and  $CPD$  is drawn meeting the circles in  $C$  and  $D$ . Shew that the triangles  $APD$ ,  $CPB$  are equal in area.

32. Construct a triangle equiangular to a given triangle and having a given circle for one of its escribed circles.

33. Construct a triangle, given the base, the vertical angle, and the radius of the inscribed circle.

34. If two circles intersect and through a point on their common chord produced two secants are drawn, one to each circle, the four points of section of the secants with the circles are concyclic.

35. If  $ABC$  is a triangle, right-angled at  $A$ , and  $AD$  is drawn perpendicular to  $BC$ , shew that

$$(i) \quad BC^2 : BA^2 = BC : BD;$$

$$(ii) \quad BC^2 : CA^2 = BC : CD.$$

Hence deduce

$$BC^2 = BA^2 + AC^2.$$

36. A triangle  $ABC$  is bisected by a straight line  $XY$  drawn parallel to the base  $BC$ . Determine the ratio  $AX : AB$ .

Hence bisect a triangle by a line drawn parallel to the base.

37. If two circles have external contact at  $A$ , and a common tangent, touching them at  $B$  and  $C$ , meets the line of centres at  $S$ ,

$$\triangle SBA : \triangle SAC = SB : SC.$$

38. Two circles intersect at  $A$  and  $B$ , and at  $A$  tangents are drawn, one to each circle, meeting the circumferences at  $C$  and  $D$ . If  $AB$ ,  $CB$ , and  $BD$  are joined, shew that

$$\triangle CBA : \triangle ABD = CB : BD.$$

39.  $DEF$  is the pedal triangle of the triangle  $ABC$ ; prove that

$$\triangle ABC : \triangle DBF = AB^2 : DB^2;$$

$$\text{fig. } AFDC : \triangle DBF = AD^2 : BD^2.$$

40. In a given triangle  $ABC$  a second triangle is inscribed by joining the middle points of the sides. In this inscribed triangle a third is inscribed in like manner, and so on. What fraction is the fourth triangle of the triangle  $ABC$ ?

41. A semi-circle is described on  $AB$  as diameter, and any two chords  $AC$ ,  $BD$  are drawn intersecting at  $P$ . Shew that

$$AB^2 = AC \cdot AP + BD \cdot BP.$$

42. Two circles intersect at  $B$  and  $C$ , and the two direct common tangents  $AE$  and  $DF$  are drawn; if the common chord is produced to meet the tangents at  $G$  and  $H$ , shew that

$$GH^2 = AE^2 + BC^2.$$

43. If from an external point  $P$ , a secant  $PCD$  is drawn to a circle and  $PM$  is perpendicular to a diameter  $AB$ , shew that

$$PM^2 = PC \cdot PD + AM \cdot MB.$$

44. Two circles whose centres are  $C$  and  $D$  intersect at  $A$  and  $B$ ; and a straight line  $PAQ$  is drawn through  $A$  and terminated by the circumferences: prove that

(i) the  $\angle PBQ =$  the  $\angle CAD$ ;

(ii) the  $\angle BPC =$  the  $\angle BQD$ .

45.  $AB$  is a given diameter of a circle, and  $CD$  is any chord parallel to  $AB$ ; if  $X$  is any point in  $AB$ ,

$$XC^2 + XD^2 = XA^2 + XB^2.$$

46. If the opposite sides of a cyclic quadrilateral are produced to meet, the bisectors of the angles so formed are perpendicular.

47. Given the vertical angle, one of the sides containing it, and the length of the perpendicular from the vertex on the base: construct the triangle.

48.  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  are three points in order in a straight line: find a point  $P$  in the straight line such that  $PA : PB = PB : PC$ .

49. Through  $D$ , any point in the base of a triangle  $ABC$ , straight lines  $DE$ ,  $DF$  are drawn parallel to the sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$ , and meeting the sides at  $E$ ,  $F$ : shew that the triangle  $AEF$  is a mean proportional between the triangles  $FBD$ ,  $EDC$ .

50. Given the base, and the position of the bisector of the vertical angle: construct the triangle.



## ANSWERS TO NUMERICAL EXERCISES

*Since the utmost care cannot ensure absolute accuracy in graphical work, results so obtained are likely to be only approximate. The answers here given are those found by calculation, and being true so far as they go, furnish a standard by which the student may test the correctness of his drawing and measurement. Results within one per cent of those given in the Answers may usually be considered satisfactory.*

**Exercises. Page 15**

1.  $30^\circ$ ;  $126^\circ$ ;  $261^\circ$ ;  $85^\circ$ . 11 min.; 37 min.
2.  $112\frac{1}{2}^\circ$ ;  $155^\circ$ ; 5 hrs. 45 min.
3.  $50^\circ$ ; 8 hrs. 40 min.
4. (i)  $145^\circ$ ,  $35^\circ$ ,  $145^\circ$ . (ii)  $55^\circ$ ,  $55^\circ$ .  $86^\circ$ ,  $94^\circ$ .

**Exercises. Page 27**

1.  $68^\circ$ ,  $37^\circ$ ,  $75^\circ$  v. nearly. 2. 6.0 cm.
3.  $2.2''$ ,  $50^\circ$ ,  $73^\circ$  nearly.
5. 37 ft. 6. 101 metres. 7. 27 ft.
8. 424 yds., nearly; N. W.
9. 281 yds., 155 yds., 153 yds.
10. 214 yds.

**Exercises. Page 41**

1.  $125^\circ$ ,  $55^\circ$ ,  $125^\circ$ .
12. 15 secs., 30 secs.

**Exercises. Page 43**

3.  $21^\circ$ .
4.  $27^\circ$ .
5.  $92^\circ$ ,  $46^\circ$ .
6.  $67^\circ$ ,  $62^\circ$ .

**Exercises. Page 45**

1.  $30^\circ$ ,  $60^\circ$ ,  $90^\circ$ .
2. (i)  $36^\circ$ ,  $72^\circ$ ,  $72^\circ$ ; (ii)  $20^\circ$ ,  $80^\circ$ ,  $80^\circ$ .
3.  $40^\circ$ .
4.  $51^\circ$ ,  $111^\circ$ ,  $18^\circ$ .
5. (i)  $34^\circ$ ; (ii)  $107^\circ$ .
6.  $68^\circ$ .
7.  $120^\circ$ .
8.  $36^\circ$ ,  $72^\circ$ ,  $108^\circ$ ,  $144^\circ$ .
9.  $165^\circ$ .
11. 5, 15.

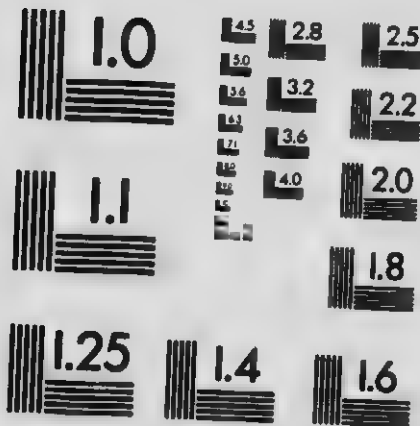
**Exercises. Page 47**

2. (i)  $45^\circ$ ; (ii)  $36^\circ$ .
3. (i) 12; (ii) 15.



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**Exercises. Page 54**

4. (i)
- $81^\circ$
- ; c. (ii)
- $55^\circ$
- .

10.	Degrees	$15^\circ$	$30^\circ$	$45^\circ$	$60^\circ$	$75^\circ$
	Cm.	41	4.6	5.7	8.0	15.6

11.	Degrees	$0^\circ$	$30^\circ$	$60^\circ$	$90^\circ$	$120^\circ$	$150^\circ$	$180^\circ$
	Cm.	1.0	2.0	3.6	5.0	6.1	6.8	7.0

12. 37 ft.

13. 112 ft.

14. 346 yds. 693 yds.

**Exercises. Page 61**

- 14.
- $54^\circ$
- ,
- $72^\circ$
- ,
- $54^\circ$
- .

- 15.
- $36^\circ$
- .

16. 4.

18. (i) 16; (ii)
- $45^\circ$
- ; (iii)
- $11\frac{1}{2}^\circ$
- per sec.

**Exercises. Page 68**

2. 6.80 cm.    3. 2.24".    4. 0.39.    5. 2.54.    8. 10.6 cm.  
 9. 3.35".    10. 20 miles; 12.6 km.  
 11. 147 miles; 235 km. 1 cm. represents 22 km.  
 12. 1" represents 15 mi.; 1" represents 20 mi.

**Exercises. Page 79**

3. 0.43 in.    4. 1.3 cm.    5. 2.4".

**Exercises. Page 84**

1. 4.3 cm., 5.2 cm., 6.1 cm.    2. 1.10.    3. 200 yards.  
 4.  $65^\circ$ ,  $77^\circ$  m., 61 m., 56 m.    5. 6.04 knots. S,  $15^\circ$  E, nearly.  
 6. Results equal. 9 cm.    7. 4.3 cm.; 9.8 cm.,  $60^\circ$ ;  $120^\circ$ .  
 8. (i) One solution; (ii) two; (iii) one, right-angled; (iv) impossible.  
 9. 380 yds.    10. 6.5 cm.    11. 6.9 cm.  
 12. Two solutions; 10.4 cm. or 4.5 cm.    16. 2.8 cm., 4.5 cm., 5.3 cm.  
 18. 5.8 cm., 4.2 cm.    19. 7 cm., 8 cm.

**Exercises. Page 89**

1.  $60^\circ$ ,  $120^\circ$ .    2. 3.54".    3. 2.12".    4. 4.4 cm.  
 5. 16.4 cm., 3.4%.    6.  $90^\circ$ .    7. (i) 4.25"; (ii)  $B = D = 90^\circ$ .

**Exercises. Page 104**

1. 6 sq. in.      2. 6 sq. in.      3. 2.80 sq. in.      4. 3.50 sq. in.  
 5. 3.30 sq. in.      6. 3.36 sq. in.      7. 198 sq. m.      8. 42 sq. ft.  
 9. 10,000 sq. m.      10. 110 sq. ft.      11. 5 cm.      12. 2.6 in.  
 14. 900 sq. yds.; 48 yds.; 4.8".      15. 11,700 sq. m.  
 16. 1 cm. = 10 yds.      17. 1.6".      18. 600 sq. ft.      19. 1154 sq. ft.  
 20. 100 sq. ft.      21. 156 sq. ft.      22. 110 sq. ft.  
 23. 288 sq. ft.      24. 72 sq. ft.      25. 75 sq. ft.

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1. (i) 22 cm.; (ii) 3.6".      2. 3.4 sq. in.      3. 574.5 sq. in.  
 4. 1.5".      5. 1.93", 75°.

**Exercises. Page 109**

1. (i) 180 sq. ft.; (ii) 8.4 sq. in.; 1 hectare.  
 2. (i) 13.44 sq. cm.; (ii) 15.40 sq. cm.; (iii) 20.50 sq. cm.  
 3. 15 sq. cm.      4. 6.3 sq. in.  
 5. (i) 8"; (ii) 13 cm.      6. 3.36 sq. in.

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1. 11,400 sq. yds.      2. 6312 sq. m.  
 3. 2.4 cm.; 5.1 cm.      4. 2.04"; 2.20".

5.	Angle	0°	30°	60°	90°	120°	150°	180°
	Area in sq. cm.	0	7.5	13.0	15.0	13.0	7.5	0

**Exercises. Page 113**

1. 66 sq. ft.      2. 84 sq. yds.      3. 126 sq. m.  
 4. 132 sq. cm.      5. 180 sq. ft.      6. 306 sq. m.

**Exercises. Page 116**

1. 6 sq. in.      2. 170 sq. ft.      3. 615 sq. m.      4. 8.4 sq. in.  
 5. 31.2 sq. cm.      6. 5.20 sq. in.      7. 24 sq. cm.

**Exercises. Page 117**

1. (i) 25.5 sq. cm.; (ii) 15.6 sq. cm.  
 2. (i) 8.95 sq. in.; (ii) 9.5 sq. in.      3. 12,500 sq. m.

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4. 3.3 sq. in.      5. 7.5 cm.      6. 3.6 sq. in.

**Exercises. Page 123**

1. (i) 5 cm.; (ii) 6.5 cm.; (iii) 3.7".    2. (i) 1.6"; (ii) 2.8 cm.  
 3. 41 ft.    4. 6<sup>5</sup> miles    5. 6.1 km.    6. 16 ft.  
 7. 48 m.    8. 25 miles.    9. 73 m.    10. 62 ft.

**Exercises. Page 125**

10. (i) and (iii).    11. 2.83".    12. 4.24 cm.; 18 sq. cm.  
 13. 70.71 sq. m.    14.  $p = 6.93$  cm.  
 16. (i) 20 cm.; 15 cm.; (ii) 40 cm.; 39 cm.  
 17. 35 cm.; 12 cm.; 306 sq. cm.  
 18. (i) 36 sq. in.; (ii) 90 sq. ft.; (iii) 126 sq. cm.; (iv) 240 sq. yds.  
 19. 5.1 cm. nearly.

**Exercises. Page 132**

1. 630 sq. cm.; 15 cm.

**Exercises. Page 134**

2. 8.5 cm.; 90°.    3. A circle of radius 6 cm.  
 4. 5.20".    6. 0.25".

**Exercises. Page 136**

1. 7.1 cm.    4. 4.0 cm.    5. 1.6".    6. 3.1 cm.; 15.6 sq. cm.

**Exercises. Page 140**

1. 23.90 sq. cm.    2. 8.40 sq. in.  
 3. 27.52 sq. cm.    4. 129,800 sq. m.

**Exercises. Page 149**

1. 5 cm.    2. 24".    3. 0.6", 0.8".    4.  $\sqrt{7} = 2.6$  cm.  
 5. 1 ft.    6. 0.6 sq. in.    7. 0.8".

**Exercises. Page 153**

1. 1.7".    2.  $3\sqrt{2} = 4.2$  cm.    3.  $2\sqrt{3} = 3.5$  cm.  
 4. 17".    6. 5 cm.

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6. 4 cm.    7. 1.3".

**Exercises. Page 157**

2. 1.85".

3. 1.62".

**Exercises. Page 160**

5. 51".

6. 1.6"; 1.5"; 0.6".

**Exercises. Page 163**

1. 74°, 148°, 16°.

2. 115°, 230°.

3. 55°, 8°, 47°.

**Exercises. Page 172**

1. 8.0 cm.

2. 0.6".

3. 8.7 cm.

4. 12", 67°.

5. 2.5".

**Exercises. Page 174**

3. 3 cm. and 17 cm.

**Exercises. Page 176**

1. 72°, 108°, 108°.

**Exercises. Page 180**

2. 1.6".

3. 1.7".

4. 1.98", 1.6".

**Exercises. Page 193**

2. 4 cm., 4.6 cm., 6.9 cm.

3. 1.39".

4. 0.9 cm.; 20.78 sq. cm.

7. 3.2 cm.

**Exercises. Page 194**

1. 2.12"; 4.50 sq. in.

4. 8.5 cm.

5. 2.0".

**Exercises. Page 195**

4. 1284°; 1.73".

**Exercises. Page 196**

1. 3.46"; 4.00".

2. 259.8 sq. cm.

4. (i) 41.57 sq. cm.; (ii) 77.25 sq. cm.

**Exercises. Page 200**

1. (i) 28.3 cm.; (ii) 628.3 cm.
2. (i) 16.62 sq. in.; (ii) 352.99 sq. in.
3. 11.31 cm.; 10.18 sq. cm.
4. 56 sq. cm.
5. 43.98 sq. in.
7. 30.5 sq. cm.
8. 8.9".
9. 4"; 3".
10. 12.57 sq. in.

**Exercises. Page 209**

1. (i) 35; (ii) 8; (iii) a.
3. 4.0", 5.6".
4. 16.5 cm., 12.0 cm.
5. 4.0 cm., 2.4 cm.; 16.0 cm., 9.6 cm.

**Exercises. Page 214**

1. (i) each = 3:2; (ii) each = 5:3; (iii) each = 5:2.
2. (i) 1.4"; (ii) 0.8"; (iii) 6.4 cm., 2.4 cm.
3. (i) 5.6 cm.; (ii) 7.7 cm., 2.8 cm.

**Exercises. Page 215**

1. 0.9", 0.6"; 4.5", 3.0"; 3:2.
2. 2.0 cm., 1.5 cm.; 14.0 cm., 10.5 cm.

**Exercises. Page 217**

1. 10.5 sq. in.
2. 3.0 cm.
3. 64 sq. cm.
4. 11.0".
5. 33.9 acres.

**Exercises. Page 222**

1. (i) 1.2"; (ii) 2.0"; (iii) 7.7 cm.
2. (i) 2.1"; (ii) 6.3 cm.
3.  $QB = 3.5''$ ,  $BR = 2.5''$ .
4. 3.2 cm., 4.2 cm.
5. 2.1", 1.8".
6. 5 ft.,  $12\frac{1}{2}$  ft.,  $9\frac{1}{2}$  ft.
7. 1.2", 1.3", 1.95".
8.  $5\frac{1}{2}$  cm.
9. 0.8 cm., 1.4 cm., 2.1 cm.

**Exercises. Page 230**

1.  $\frac{1}{2}$ .
2. 20 sq. ft.
3. 10 sq. cm.
4. 7:5.
5. 5.6".

**Exercises. Page 234**

1. 26".
2. 48 ft.; 8 ft.
3. 2 cm.; 32 cm.
4. 3.6".
5. 8100 miles; 10 miles.



**Exercises. Page 238**

1. (i) 1.0"; (ii) 0.9"; (iii) 6.0 cm.  
 2. 1.4", 0.6"; 3.5", 1.5".      3. (i) 2.0; (ii) 2.8; (iii) 20.  
 4. 1.6 cm., 2.4 cm., 3.2 cm.      5. 1.8", 1.2", 0.9".      6. 2.7".  
 7. (i) 1.73; (ii) 3.16; (iii) 1.67.      8. (i) 3; (ii) 3.21; (iii) 2.26.  
 9. (i) 1.2", 1.6", 2.0"; (ii) 3.0 cm., 3.6 cm., 4.5 cm.;  
     (iii) 2.5 cm., 4.3 cm., 5.0 cm.; (iv)  $b = 3.4"$ ,  $c = 2.1"$ , nearly.  
 10. 140 m., 160 m.; 125 m.      11. 24 ft., 2 ft. 4 in.  
 12. 60 ft.      13. 72 ft.      14. 106 ft.

**Exercises. Page 245**

3. 0.52.      5. 31:28, nearly.

**Exercises. Page 248**

3. 15.48 sq. in.      4. 3.6 m., 1.5 m.  
 5. 90 acres.      6. 512 acres.  
 7. 1 cm. represents 15 metres.

**Exercises. Page 250**

3. 2.5 sq. cm., 0.4 sq. cm.      4. 4:1.  
 5. 7.2".      8. 6.2 cm., 3.8 cm.

**Exercises. Page 252**

1.  $1:\sqrt{2}$ .      3. 4.6 cm.      4. 6.9 cm.

**Exercises. Page 256**

10. (i)  $10\frac{1}{2}"$ ; (ii)  $15\frac{1}{4}$  ft.

